A mysterious voice that cries, "Princess..."
Who could the mysterious figure watching Shinomiya be?!!
Kiss Him, not Me
#33 PRINCESS USAMIMI IS IN DANGER
BY JUNKO

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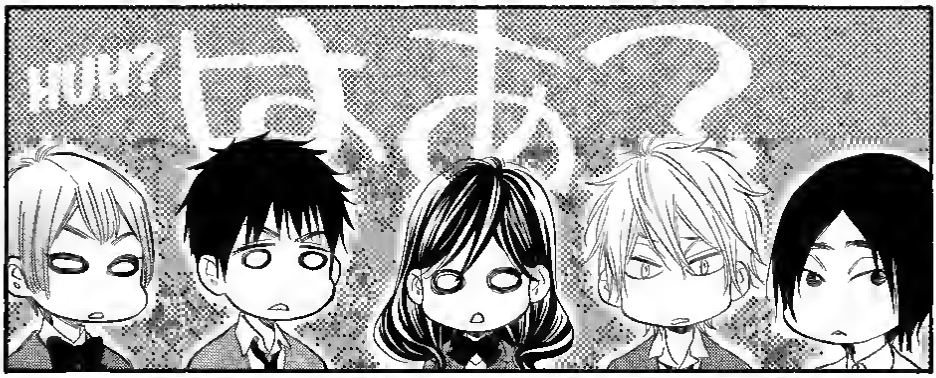
HUH?
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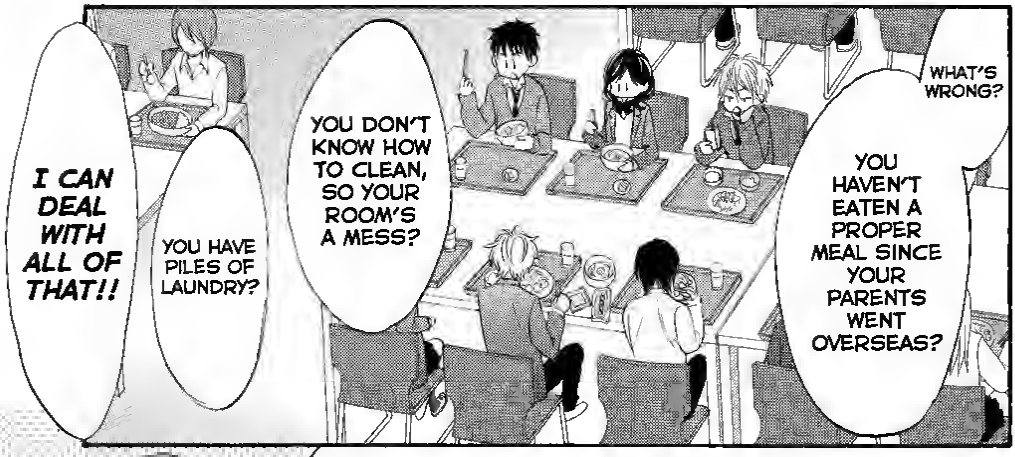
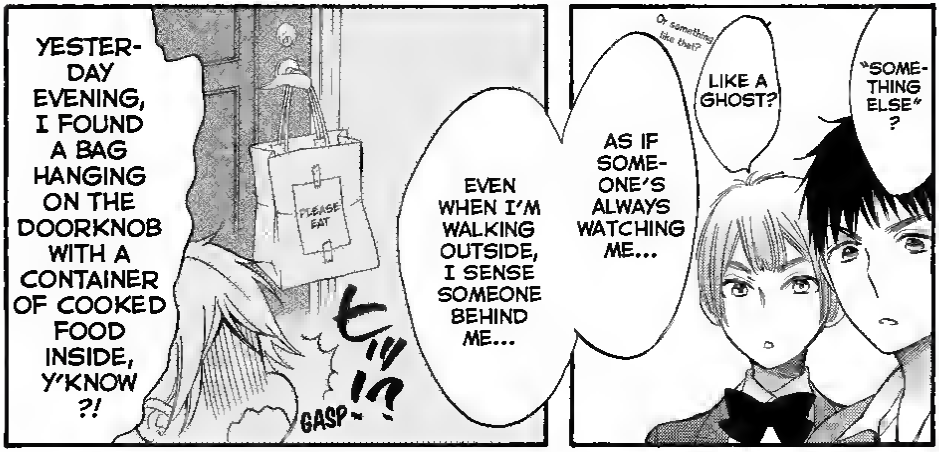

I CAN DEAL WITH ALL OF THAT!!
YOU HAVE PILES OF LAUNDRY?
YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO CLEAN, SO YOUR ROOM'S A MESS?
WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU HAVEN'T EATEN A PROPER MEAL SINCE YOUR PARENTS WENT OVERSEAS?

AND IT DOESN'T BOTHER ME THAT I'VE WORN THIS SHIRT FOR FIVE DAYS!!
AND IT'S FINE AS LONG AS I DON'T CARE ABOUT HOW DIRTY MY ROOM IS!!
ARE YOU SOME OLD LADY?!
I MEAN, I'M TAKING CAFETERIA FOOD HOME!!
SHWIP
SHWIP
PACK
PACK
IT BOTHERS US!!
THAT'S NOT FINE, Y'KNOW?!
I NEVER THOUGHT YOU'D BE SUCH A SLOB!

I GET THE FEELING THAT THERE'S SOME-THING ELSE AROUND ...
WHAT I MEAN IS...


YESTER-DAY EVENING, I FOUND A BAG HANGING ON THE DOORKNOB WITH A CONTAINER OF COOKED FOOD INSIDE, Y'KNOW ?!
PLEASE EAT
GASP~
EVEN WHEN I'M WALKING OUTSIDE, I SENSE SOMEONE BEHIND ME...
AS IF SOME-ONE'S ALWAYS WATCHING ME...
Or something like that?
LIKE A GHOST?
"SOME-THING ELSE"?

I'VE BEEN SO SCARED THAT I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET MUCH SLEEP ...
CLENCH...
ANY-WAY...
THEN THEY WOULD'VE JUST HANDED IT TO ME IN PERSON!!
And I don't think anyone in my neighborhood would do that.
We get a lot of stuff from neighbors.
MAYBE IT WAS SOMEONE IN THE NEIGHBOR-HOOD?
COOKED FOOD?

SHEN-PAI...!!
Mhy
HMPH!
Oh my oh my, oh my, oh my!
I GUESS I HAVE NO CHOICE!
I'LL COME OVER AND TEACH YOU HOW TO DO CHORES AROUND THE HOUSE!!
ISH NOT THAT!!
OH, PLEASE!
YOU'RE JUST SCARED TO BE ALONE, AREN'T YOU, YOU WITTLE BABY?!
OH BOY.
Hai Hai
ごみちゃあ…
MESSY
Shino-miga's house
WHOA! WHAT A MESS!!
LET'S GET RIGHT TO IT!!
OKAY!
SIZZLE
Oooh!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
WHIRR
WHIRR

SPARKLE ぴか
CLUNK
CLUNK
CLUNK
WIPE
WIPE
So...
So good !!
SHENPAI, YOU'RE AMAZING!!
Will you marry me?
No way!!
SMUG ドヤ!!!
WELL, THAT'S PRETTY MUCH ALL IT TAKES!!
IT ONLY RANG ONCE.
HM? A PHONE CALL?
23:56
At this hour ...?
IT'S A PRIVATE NUMBER... COULD SOMEONE HAVE DIALED ME BY MISTAKE ?
OKAY!
I get the bed!!
BR.RING
IT SEEMS THERE WAS NOTHING LURKING AFTER ALL!
OKAY, LET'S GO TO SLEEP !!
EIJIRU

BRRRRING
BEEP!
WHAT THE HECK IS THIS ...?!
BRRRRING
BEEP!
H... HEY...
BRRRRING
JOLT
ビク
AGAIN ?!
BEEP!
DING ～
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NOW AN E-MAIL ?!
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Inbox
Sender: 774knight.suteadd.jp
Hide
Recipient: Hayato Shinomiya
Who's that guy?
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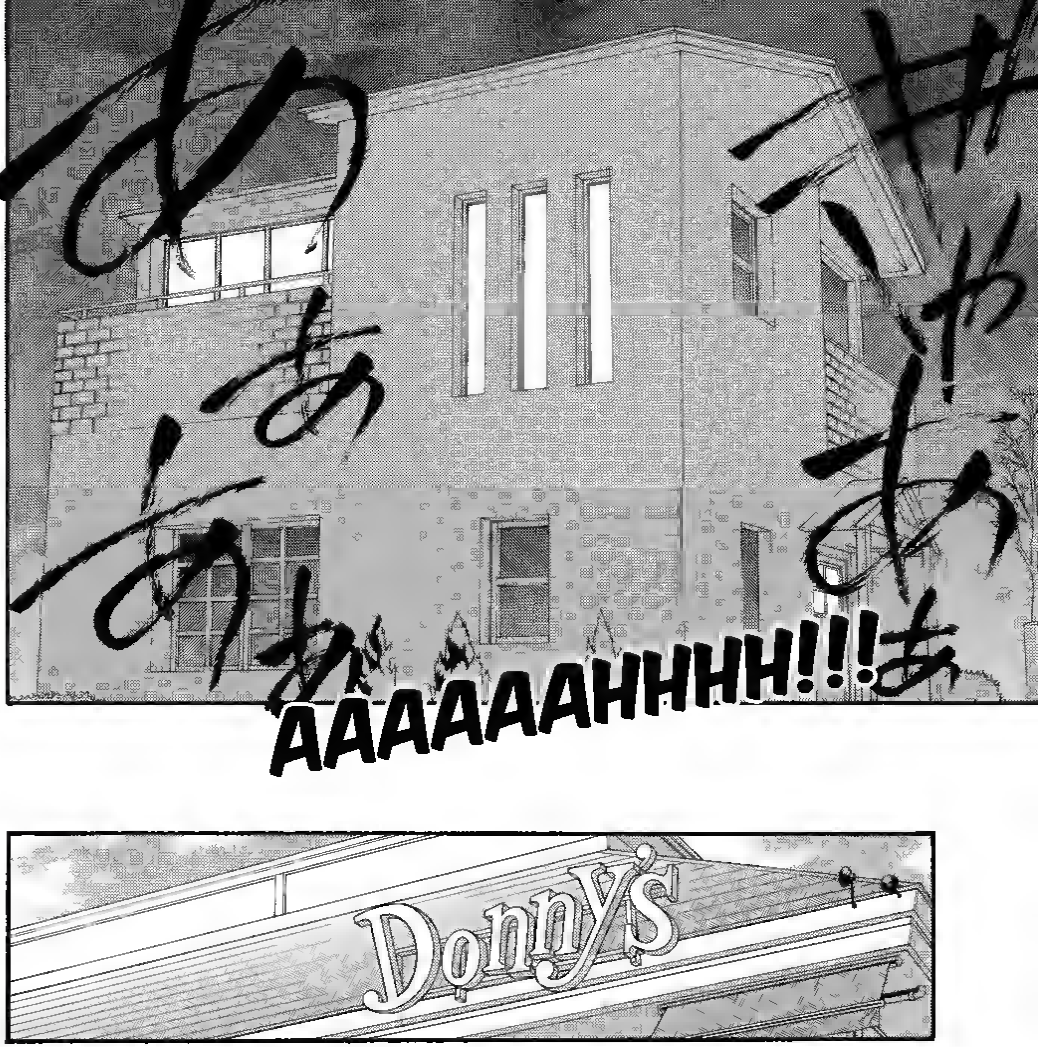

AAAAAAHHHH!!!

Donny's

IT'S A STALK-ER!!!
I SWEAR ...

DID YOU GO TO THE POLICE?
YEAH!! THEY SAID THEY CAN'T DO MUCH RIGHT NOW...
AL-THOUGH THEY SAID THEY'D PATROL THE AREA.
THEN IT'S DAN-GEROUS FOR YOU TO BE HOME ALONE ...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?!
Ah well...
WANNA STAY OVER AT MY PLACE?
BADUMP
SHENPAI!
Oh my! oh my! oh my!

Exclamation I'm scared of monsters!! Eeek!!
SFX Aaahhh!! Waaahhh!!
However...
SORRY... MY LITTLE SISTER IS SCARED.
MIND GOING TO IGARASHI'S HOUSE?
Sorry...
A...ALL RIGHT.

SFX Grauf! Grauf! Grauf!
At Igarashi's house
SORRY... THE NEIGHBORS ARE GONNA COMPLAIN...
COULD YOU MAYBE GO TO MUTSUMI-SAN'S PLACE?
O... OKAY.
Sorry
At Mutsumi's house
HEH!-HEH!
I GOT CAUGHT TWO-TIMING, SO MY PLACE IS A DISASTER! I CAME HERE TO TAKE SHELTER. I'M STAYING OVER!
ASUMA ?!
YOU'RE AWFUL, ASUMA!!
I'M HOME!
CLATTER CLATTER
THANK GOD! NOW I CAN...!!
THEY GET ALONG !!
YESSS!

SLEEP WITH ME IN MY ROOM! IT'LL BE NICE AND COZY!
FLIRTY
OH?! NINOMIYA-KUN, WAS IT?!
IT'S SHINO-MIYA...
YOU'RE STAYING OVER TOO?! SERI-OUSLY?! NIIICE!!
SHINO-MIYA-KUN...I'M TELLING YOU THIS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD. I DON'T THINK YOU SHOULD STAY OVER...
FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY!!
I'm really sorry for having family like this...!!
Huhhh? What is it? I won't do anything! I promise!
O... OKAY!!
WHOOOSH
NISHINA-SAN'S PLACE SHOULD HAVE GOOD SECURITY, AND HER PLACE IS BIG, SO THERE'S A CHANCE SHE'LL HAVE ROOM FOR YOU.
LEMME ASK HER.
RUSTLE...
OKAY..
Thank you.
RUSTLE...

BEING AN ONLY DAUGHTER, MY FATHER'S NOT GONNA ALLOW IT, AND I CAN'T GUARANTEE SHINOMIYA'S SAFETY...
WHILE I'D BE HAPPY TO SAY YES...

ALL OUT OF OPTIONS...
T... TRUE...

SIGH... WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I'M SURE I WON'T BE ABLE TO STAY AT SERINUMA-SENPAI'S PLACE EITHER...
RUSTLE...

Sweets
WHIRR

FOR NOW, I'LL BUY US SOMETHING WARM.
DISAPPOINTED
Lets think about what to do while having a drink

RUSTLE
HOW MANY GUYS' HOUSES ARE YOU PLANNING ON GOING TO?
WHEEZE
RUSTLE
CLENCH
GRAB
...?!
SHUDDER

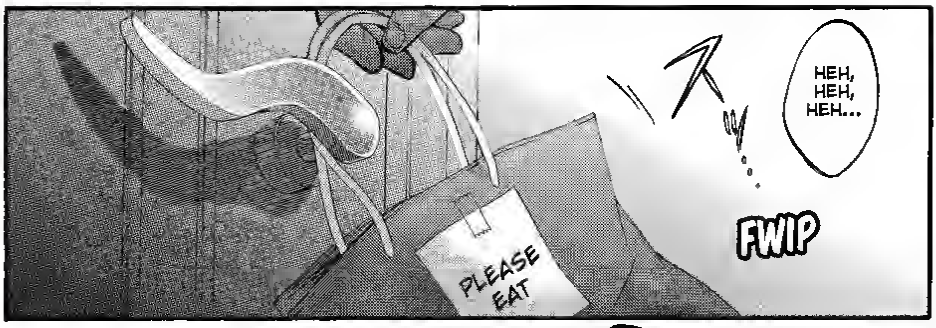
RUSTLE
WAIT!!
RUSTLE
WHAT'S GOING ON?!
HEY!!
ARE YOU OKAY?!
GRAB
WHO WAS THAT ...?!
DAMN...
He ran off
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
...

SO...
WE CAN'T TAKE THIS LIGHTLY...
NOD
LET'S CATCH THE STALKER!!
FIRST, WE HAVE NANA-SHIMA-KUN WEAR SHINO-MIYA-KUN'S COAT...
FWIP
RUSTLE...
AND GET THE CULPRIT TO THINK NANASHIMA-KUN IS SHINOMIYA-KUN.

IGARASHI-KUN AND I WILL TAKE "SHINOMIYA-KUN", A.K.A. NANASHIMA-KUN HOME, PRETENDING TO WATCH OVER HIM...
THERE, WE WAIT FOR THE CULPRIT.
TICK
TICK
TICK
SHINOMIYA-KUN ANO NISHINA-SAN WILL BE ON STANOBY AT SERINUMA-SAN'S HOUSE.
IF ANY-THING HAPPENS, WE LET EACH OTHER KNOW RIGHT AWAY.

I HOPE EVERYONE IS OKAY.
I'M ...
AL-WAYS THE ONE WHO NEEDS HELP ...
AND I'M AL-WAYS LEARN-ING FROM YOU GUYS ...
I'M SORRY ...
AL-THOUGH ...
I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE ALL HERE FOR ME...
THAT'S RIGHT, SHINOMIYA-KUN!! BEFORE, YOU WERE JUST A LONER WHO WAS HOT AND COLD!!
Huh?!
HUH?!
SHIMA-CHAN!!
SNORE SNORE
Mom at that time

SNEAK
?


HEH, HEH, HEH...
FWIP
PLEASE EAT

BOOM
GOT-CHA NOW !!
AUGH!

THE MANAGER FROM USAMI LAND?!
The Interviewer
You are, aren't you?!
?!
YOU'RE...
TAKE THAT!
WHUMP!!
G-ACK!
IT WAS YOU ?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, STALKER ?!
GYAH!
Y-YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG!!
WE AREN'T STALKERS!! WE'RE...
GYAH!
HUH ?!
FWP
CREEP
SHWP
"WE"...?
RUSTLE
CLATTER
SLIP
DID YOU JUST SAY...
SLIP

THE KNIGHTS OF PRINCESS USAMI!!!
WE ARE PRINCESS USAMIMI'S FAN CLUB...
RECENTLY, WE HEARD THE PRINCESS WAS LIVING ALONE, SO WE COULDN'T JUST SIT BY AND DO NOTHING...
WE'VE BEEN PATROLLING THE AREA SO A ROBBER CAN'T ENTER THE PRINCESS'S HOUSE!
AND WE JUST SENT THINGS LIKE HOMEMADE SIDE DISHES AND FRESH FRUITS FOR THE PRINCESS'S HEALTH!!
THAT'S WHAT YOU CALL A STALKER!!
WE'LL WIN IF WE TAKE YOU TO COURT!!
THIS IS ABUSE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION, Y'KNOW?!
5
SCREECH
SCREECH
17
S-SORRY! WE WERE JUST THINKING OF THE PRINCESS!!
THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE!
6

COULD IT BE...
THERE'S ANOTHER STALKER ...?!
TOTALLY NOT COOL, Y'KNOW?!
SENDING MESSAGES, CRANK CALLING, SUDDENLY GRABBING SHOULDERS FROM BEHIND...
HUH?
HUHHH?!
YOU'RE STILL GONNA PLAY DUMB?!
I'M SERI-OUS!!
HUH?! WE DIDN'T DO ANY OF THAT!!
WE WOULD NEVER!!
NO TOUCH-ING! ONLY LOOK-ING!!
BOOM
WHAT IS OUR MOTTO, KNIGHTS ?!
SO THEN, WAS THAT ...?!
HUH ...?
What the heck are y'all boasting for, ya bunch of stalkers!!
EEK!
EEK!

TICK
TICK
TICK
TICK
JOLT
JOLT
NGAH!
RISE
I FELL ASLEEP...
UH...
RISE
BATH-ROOM...
KER-CHAK
MMM...
SENPAI, I'M GONNA USE YOUR SHOWER.
KER-CHAK
WOBBLE
WOBBLE
WOBBLE
FLUSH
GLUB
GLUB
GLUB

RUSTLE
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
?!

I...IS SENPAI HALF ASLEEP ?!
BADUMP
HUHHH?
NUDGE
HUH?
BADUMP
WHAT? WHAT THE HECK ?!
UH...!
BADUMP
JOLT
AAAAHH!!

CRRRASH
GASP
...RING
BRRRRING
RATTLE RATTLE...
BRRRRING
SNAP
CREEP
SHATTER
SHATTER
SHATTER

LOOM
BRRRRIIING
WHEEZE
PRIN-
CESS...
WHEEZE
BRRING
EEK.
Suke Igarashi
Mobile

EEEEEK!
キャアアアア
SEN-PAI?!
HEY!!
SHIMA-CHAN!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?!
FWIP
はっ
!!
THMP
A"
SENPAIII?!

BONK
SLIP
YOU'RE GOING DOWN!
HIYAHHH!!
SLUMP
SH... SHIMA-CHAAAN !!!
Eeek!
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
STAY AWAY FROM THE PRIN-CESS ...
YOU ROTTEN WOMAN ...!!

PRIN-CESS ...
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
IT'S ME YOU'RE AFTER, RIGHT ...?!
DON'T YOU DARE COME ANY CLOSER !!
RISE
ﾄｸﾝ...
STOP!!
JOLT
CRACK
NO, SHI-NO-MIYA-KUN !!
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
I WON'T LET HIM HARM YOU, SENPAI!!
OKAY ...
CLENCH

DO AS YOU WISH !!
RRRRIP
NOOOO!!
SHRIEEEK!
SHI-NO-MIYA-KUN !!
GLINT

AHHHH!!
?!
CHOMP
SWAT
SWAT
L-LET GO!!
DASH
NOW!
THOR ?!

BAM
THUD
SHINO!
ARE YOU OKAY?!
YOU GUYS ...!!
TMP
TMP
TMP

GASP
SHINO-MIYA-KUN!
WHOA! DID YOU KNOCK HIM OUT?!
UH... WELL...
SO THIS IS THE DANGER-OUS STALKER, HUH?!
HUH?
N...
NOT AT ALL!!
THANK YOU FOR PROTECT-ING ME...!
Here, have a blanket-

HEY!
He was here too
HUH ...?!
SCREECH
SCREECH
THIS GUY!!
WHAT'S THE VIBE GOING ON BETWEEN YOU TWO?! WHAT HAPPENED ?!
YOU PROTECTED HER?! IT WAS YOUR STALKER IN THE FIRST PLACE!!
EEK! I'M SORRY!
HUHHH?!
EEEK!
DON'T MAKE EYES AT MY HAYATO, YOU LITTLE SLUT!!
CHOMP

AFTERWARDS, PER THE REQUEST OF THE "PRINCESS", THE KNIGHTS DISBANDED.
THAT GIRL IS WITH THE PRINCESS!!
Yeah yeah! Save it for when we get to the station!
WHIMPER
THE GUY WHO LEFT THE KNIGHTS OF PRINCESS USAMIMI!!
THEN ...
AH!!
OH MAN!
I'M HEADING THAT WAY...
SO I'LL HAND IT IN.
YANK
?!
I FORGOT TO SUBMIT THE HANDOUT AGAIN...
WHAT DO I DO?

I MEAN...
YEAH, I KNOW!
HEY, SHINOMIYA-KUN'S BECOME MORE APPROACH-ABLE THESE DAYS, HASN'T HE?
SQUEAL
SQUEAL
THANKS.
H... HUH?
IT'S KINDA NICE!
Hey!
ぱちんっ
SLAP
UH-HUH!
Mornin'!
TO BE CONTINUED IN the APRIL issue

you
choose?
Mutsumi
Kiss Him, not Me

#34 MARCH 3RD

BY JUNKO

SERI-NUMA-SAN!
I HEARD SOMETHING COOL!
WRITE FIVE THINGS YOU WANT ON THIS PAPER, AND PUT IT INSIDE YOUR SCHOOL DESK FOR A NIGHT!!
IF YOU DO... IT'LL COME TRUE LIKE A MAGIC SPELL!!
DREAM

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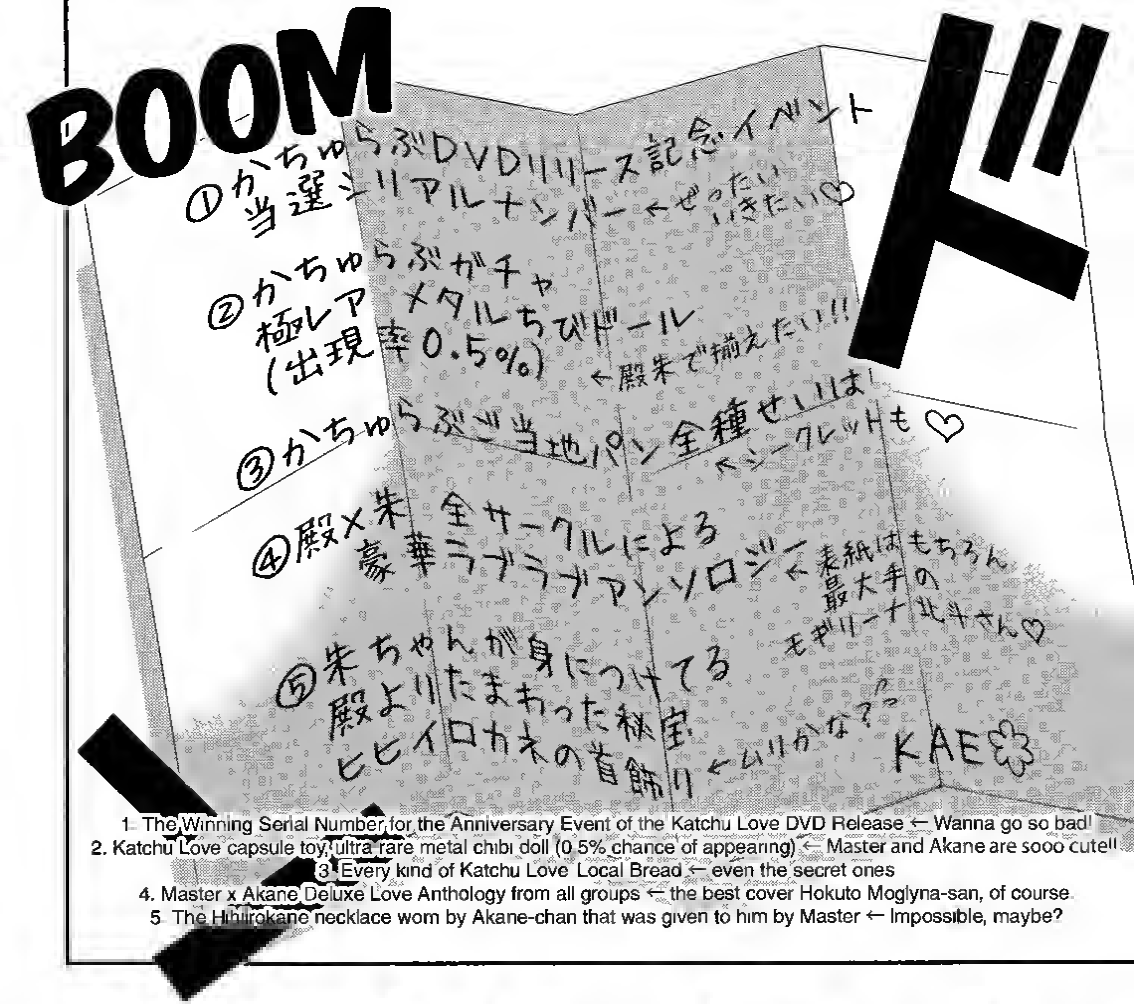
IT'S OKAY!!
THAT'S WHERE THIS PEN COMES IN!!
FIDGET
もじ
FIDGET
もじ
BUT I'D BE EMBARRASSED IF SOMEONE WERE TO SEE IT...
DO YOU WANNA GIVE IT A TRY?!
HUH ?!
WOW!
VRRR
FLAP FLAP
SCRATCH
IF YOU HEAT THIS PAPER ...
LOOK! THE WRITING DISAPPEARS!
YOU'RE RIGHT!
THE WRITING GOES TO THE HEAVENS AND THE WISHES COME TRUE! RIGHT NOW, I'LL OFFER THEM AS A SET!!
SOUNDS GREAT!
WOWWW!
TA-DAH
AMAZING!!
LET ME DO IT! I WANNA DO IT!!
HERE YOU GO! ♥
USER'S VOICE
*Individual voices
I made a wonderful boyfriend! LOVE!! - Lucky Girl, Saitama
I got the diamond ring that I've always wanted!! Thank you! - Wonderful Mi-san, Fukuyama
I got 1,000,000 yen!! Awesome!! Rich Man-san, Hokkaido
AND IT'S BEEN GETTING RAVE REVIEWS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY !!

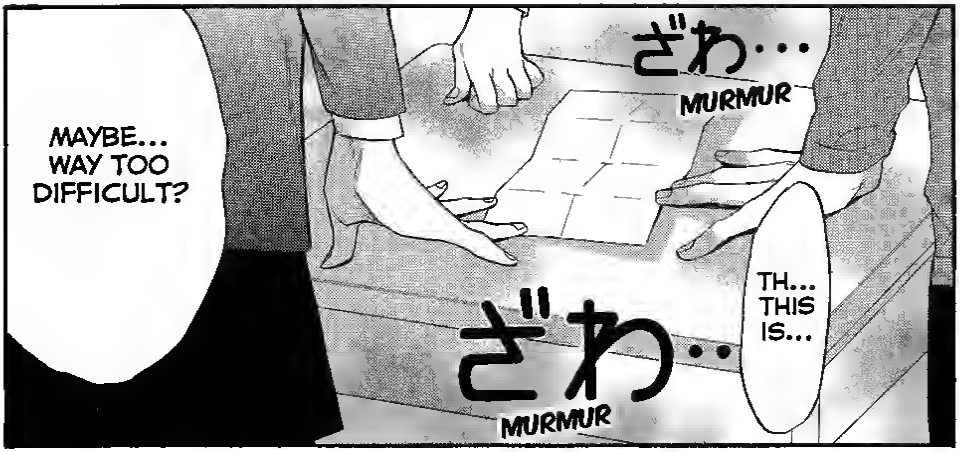
VRRR
IT'S GETTING SENT! RIGHT NOW, YOUR WISH IS GETTING SENT!
WHOA!! IT'S DISAPPEARED!!
I'm embarrassed!!
D... DON'T LOOK!!
OF COURSE! ♥
THERE!
THUMP
THUMP
HEH! HEH!
I HOPE IT COMES TRUE!
HA HA HA!
HEH! HEH! HEH!
TOTALLY!

After school
FWUUSH
RUMBLE...
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
FLASH
SO...
WE WILL START THE SECOND MEETING ...
X-DAY
3月3日!!
March 3rd
TO GET READY FOR X-DAY, WHICH IS NEXT MONTH ON MARCH 3RD.
FOR SERINUMA-SAN'S BIRTHDAY CELEB-RATION.

NISHINA ...
DID THE RESEARCH IDEA WE TALKED ABOUT LAST TIME GO WELL?
THE ONE ABOUT CASUALLY ASKING HER IN ADVANCE WHAT SHE WANTS SO THAT WE DON'T GET HER THE SAME PRESENT.
HMPH... JUST LEAVE IT TO ME!
WE'RE ALL SET!!
I MADE UP A RANDOM STORY ABOUT A MAGIC WISH LIST AND HAD SENPAI WRITE THE STUFF SHE WANTS!!
VRRR
DISAPPEAR
COOL
UHUH~
THIS PEN'S INK DISAPPEARS WHEN HEATED, BUT IT ACTUALLY REAPPEARS WHEN COOLED.
WHOA!!
Shima
REAPPEAR
AND AFTER COOLING IT, THE LIST WITH THE REAPPEARED WRITING...
IS RIGHT HERE!!
BOOM

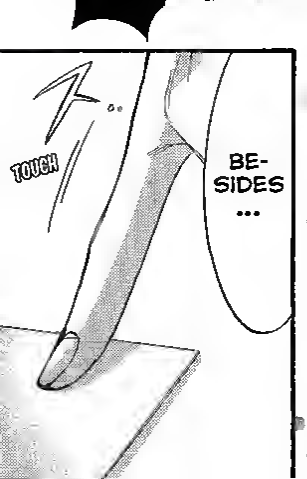


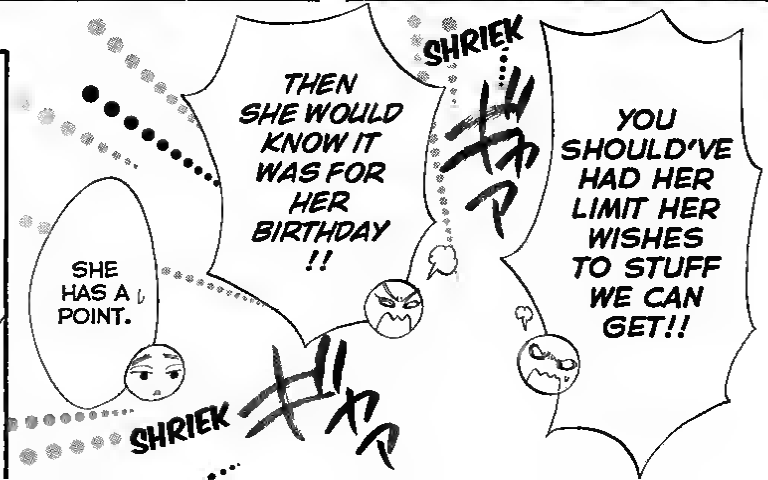
1. The Winning Serial Number for the Anniversary Event of the Katchu Love DVD Release ← Wanna go so bad!
2. Katchu Love capsule toy, ultra rare metal chibi doll (0.5% chance of appearing) ← Master and Akane are sooo cute!!
3. Every kind of Katchu Love Local Bread ← even the secret ones
4. Master x Akane Deluxe Love Anthology from all groups ← the best cover Hokuto Moglyna-san, of course
5. The Hihirokane necklace worn by Akane-chan that was given to him by Master ← Impossible, maybe?


ざわ…
MURMUR
MAYBE... WAY TOO DIFFICULT?
TH... THIS IS...
ざわ..
MURMUR

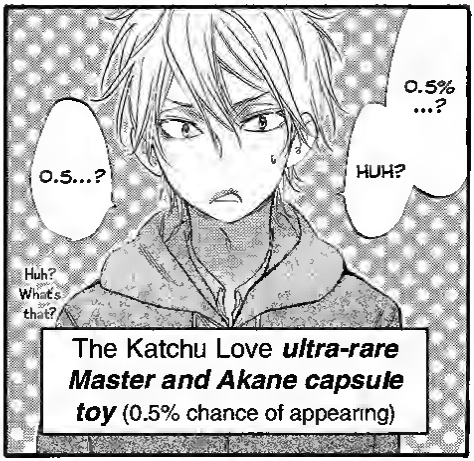
BOOM
I JUST TOLD HER TO MAKE HER WISHES TO GOD!!
YOU IDIOT !!

NGH!
NOTH-ING UN-USUAL!
WHAT THE HECK DID YOU TELL HER?!

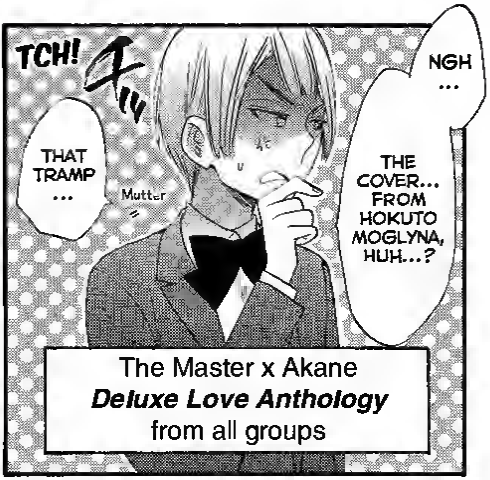

TOUCH
BE-SIDES ...


SHE HAS A POINT.
THEN SHE WOULD KNOW IT WAS FOR HER BIRTHDAY !!
SHRIEK キャア
YOU SHOULD'VE HAD HER LIMIT HER WISHES TO STUFF WE CAN GET!!
SHRIEK キャア

WELL, I'M CONFIDENT THAT I CAN GET ALL THE STUFF ON THIS LIST...
HMPH!
SO SHOULD I JUST GO AND GET ALL OF THEM FOR HER?
!!
W...
NNNGH!
WE CAN GET THAT STUFF!
RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE
FWUUSH
NO... WE WILL!!
YEAH... WE CAN!
ALL RIGHT !!
THEN LET'S DECIDE THIS FAIRLY!
ROCK! PAPER! SCIS-SORS!!
BOOM!!



The Katchu Love ***ultra-rare Master and Akane capsule toy*** (0.5% chance of appearing)



The Master x Akane ***Deluxe Love Anthology*** from all groups

Every kind of Katchu Love Local Bread

The Winning Serial Number for the Anniversary Event of the Katchu Love DVD Release

The Hihiirokane Necklace that was given to Akane by Master

DON'T LOOK AT ME.
LEGEN-...?!
YO, NISHINA! HEY! THIS IS A LEGENDARY PIECE OF METAL?! WHAT THE HECK AM I SUPPOSED TO DO?!
IT'S A LEGEN-DARY PIECE OF METAL FROM ANCIENT TIMES.

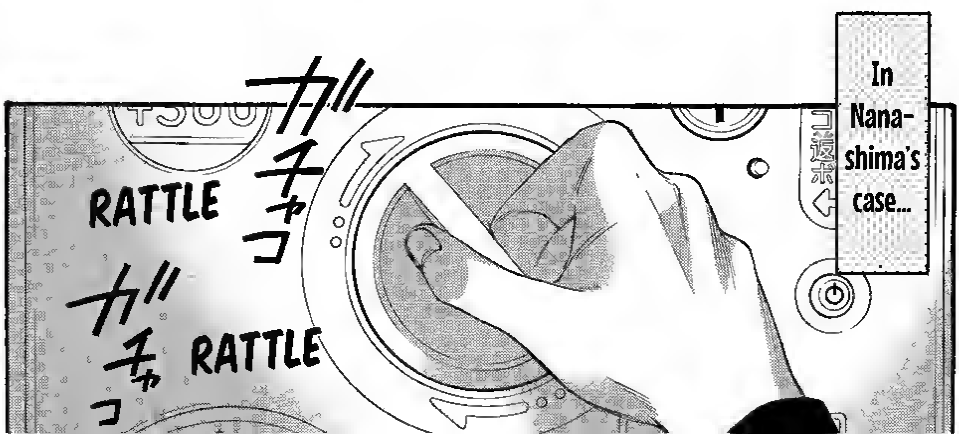
EVEN IF I COULD GET IT, I'D RATHER DIE THAN AGREE TO HELP YOU!!
I WAS TALKING ABOUT MY MIND-SET!
WHA-?!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
YOU JUST SAID THAT YOU COULD GET ALL OF THE ITEMS ON THE LIST!

UH... YEAH...
OKAY, EVERYONE! BEST OF LUCK!!
WANNA GO, IGARASHI?!
That's "Igarashi-senpai" to you!
SHRIEK
WHY, YOU!!
SHRIEK

THERE'S ONLY A MONTH LEFT... WHAT THE HECK DO I DO?
PAUSE
IT'S...
MARCH 3RD AGAIN... HUH...
FWUUSH
In Shino-miya's case...
UH...
SO... A SERIAL NUMBER IS INCLUDED IN EVERY DVD...
I CAN ENTER THE DRAW THIS WAY!
COME TO THINK OF IT... WHAT'S THE CHANCES OF WINNING SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
Let me google it!
LET'S SEE...
meko@luvutabur
I bought 100 BDs for the Utaburi event... but I didn't win... I wanna die...
?!

MUMBLE
...
WHICH MEANS ...
SO ONE DVD IS 6,000 YEN...
I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO BUY A LOT OF 'EM...!
THEN IT'S THE OLD-FASHIONED WAY, I GUESS...
THEN LEMME TRY THE ONLINE AUCTION... NO...IT LOOKS LIKE IT CAN'T BE RESOLD OR TRANS-FERED.
I...I CAN'T WIN THIS WITH JUST ONE DVD...

Hayato Shinomiya goes over to the dark side!!
DAWN
OKAY!
I'M GONNA TAKE THAT PART-TIME JOB I KEPT REFUSING... THE PRINCESS USAMIMI PHOTOSHOOT!!


In Nana-shima's case...
RATTLE
RATTLE

HUHHH?
OH...
IT CAN'T BE GOLD! WHAT I'M AFTER IS METAL, HIKARI!!
MURMUR
MURMUR
WOW! SO PRETTY !!
IT'S GOLD, NOZOMU!!
NOZOMU...
DON'T BE A HOG!!
FLASH
MURMUR
MURMUR
I'M NOT GONNA STOP 'TIL I USE UP ALL MY 100 YEN COINS!
NO!
HEY, NOZOMU...
I THINK THAT GUY IS WAITING FOR HIS TURN...
THERE IT IS!!
HUH ?!
THE METAL ONE!!
極レア
Ultra-Rare!
S... SORRY! I'LL GO JUST ONCE!
G...GO AHEAD!
Jeez...
RUSH
RUSH

NO THANK YOU!!
ヒャハー!!!
YIPPEE!
THE GIRL IS MIIINE !!
UH...ER... WOULD YOU LIKE TO SWITCH...?
I...I'LL GIVE ALL OF THESE TO YOU...!
WH... WHAAAT?!
?!
LET'S GO TO THE NEXT STORE!! C'MON!!
N... NOZOMU ...
Sorry
Uh-uh
FLOP
FLOP

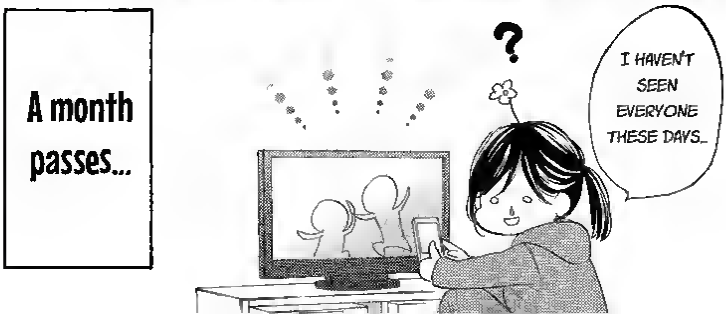
This please.

In Mutsumi's case...
Thank you!
I'll take th s.

I THINK...
IT'S AROUND...
SKUFF
WEE-WOO
HERE!!
!
Katchu Love Local Bread
かちゅ☆らぶ
ご当地パン
SECRET ここだけ!!
Here only!!
無人
販売所
Unattended Shop
Do people come here?
THEY SURE SELL IT WAY OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE...
In Nishina's case...
BOOM
PLEASE!!
WON'T YOU PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO THE MASTER X AKANE ANTHOLOGY, HOKUTO MOGLYNA-SENSEI?!

Fumie: a picture to be trampled on to test loyalty, used in the Edo period

MURMUR
MURMUR
WHAT A SUDDEN REQUEST FROM YOU, YOKOSHIMA-SAN, THE BIGGEST AKANE X MASTER SUPPORT-ER...
I'LL CON-SIDER IT IF YOU STEP ON THIS.
Hokuto Moglyna-sensei, a fellow writer who really doesn't get along with Shima.
FLAP



March 3rd
3F anime伊東 cafe
WOW !!
I RE-SERVED THIS PLACE FOR YOU, KAE-CHAN!
IT'S YOUR BIRTH-DAY, AFTER ALL!!
Okay, okay!
AH-CHAN! THANK YOU SO MUCH!!
I'm so happy!
OKAY, AFTER YOU!
EEK!
THIS IS SO EXCI-TING!!
KER-CHAK

TA-DAH!
パパーン!!
HAPPY Birthday!!
?!

MONEY IS POWER!
I RESERVED THIS WHOLE CAFE FOR YOU!!
IT'S A SURPRISE PARTY!!
WHA?!
YOU GUYS... HUH?!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, KAE-CHAN!
LET'S HAVE FUN TODAY!
I HAD AH-CHAN-SENPAI HELP US BY BRINGING YOU HERE.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, PRINCESS!
PRINCESS!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
STAFF

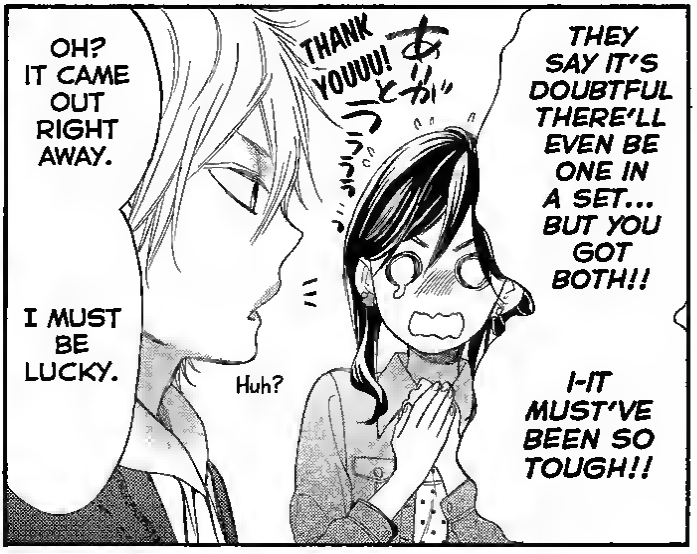
YOU GUYS ...
THANK YOU SO MUCH ...!!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!
ハッピーバースデートゥーユー
EEK! SO CUTE! ♡♡
IT'S CUSTOM MADE! ♡
ハッピーバースデートゥーユー
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!
カンパーイ!!
CHEERS!!
ALL RIGHT! LET'S OPEN PRESENTS NOW!!
Happy Birthday Kae!

HAPPY BIRTH-DAY! ♡
OKAY, ME FIRST!
AND ON THE NEXT PAGE...
EEEEK!
For KAE SERINUMA ♥ With Love...
THE INSIDE COVER HAS A VERMILLION OUTLINE, AND ART CUTTING WITH AN EMBLEM!!
IT HAS A SLIP CASE AND IT'S DECKED OUT IN FULL COLOR!!
SHINE
HUH?! THIS! ANTHO-LOGY?!
HOKUTO MOGLYNA-SENSEI DREW THE COVER!! AND WITH A GOLD LEAF!!
UUH... THESE ARE ALL AKANE X MASTER...
UUH...
PANT... PANT...
SPLURT
IF IT'S A WISH OF YOURS, I'LL MAKE IT COME TRUE!!
GASP! THANK YOUUU!!
AHHH!
COMMENT
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
A-SAN AND B-SAN TOO... THE GUYS FROM THE MASTER X AKANE GROUP DID THIS FOR ME?!
THIS IS A DREAM, RIGHT? AM I DREAM-ING?!
OMG! OMG! OMG!
The scene when she was editing

CONGRATULATIONS, SERINUMA-SAN.
THIS ONE'S FROM ME.
ごそっ
RUSTLE
?!
KATCHU♥LOVE
大感謝カレンダー
Appreciation Calendar
Not for sale
非売品
THIS ...!!
There are some strange secret ones, right?!
OH, AND HERE! I RECEIVED THIS AS AN EXTRA!
HUH?! ALL THE LOCAL BREADS?! AMAZING!! THANK YOU SO MUCH!!
O...ONLY MUTSUMI-SAN...
I'M GLAD YOU'RE HAPPY.
I RECEIVED IT FROM A SHOPKEEPER I BEFRIENDED ON MY TRAVELS.
EYAAHHH!!
AN OFFICIAL ULTRA-RARE NOVELTY THAT'S ONLY GIVEN OUT IN LOCAL PARTICIPATING STORES!!

HAPPY BIRTH-DAY!!
THIS ONE'S FROM ME!!
HUH?! AND A METAL MASTER TOO?!
AMAZ-ING!!
WOW!! A METAL AKANE!!

Nanashima's room
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
14


OH? IT CAME OUT RIGHT AWAY.
I MUST BE LUCKY.
Huh?
THANK YOUUU!
THEY SAY IT'S DOUBTFUL THERE'LL EVEN BE ONE IN A SET... BUT YOU GOT BOTH!!
I-IT MUST'VE BEEN SO TOUGH!!

HAPPY BIRTH-DAY!
THIS ONE'S FROM ME!
Shinomiya's room
MESSY
DROP
OH YEAH? IT DIDN'T TAKE MUCH! I GUESS I'M JUST REALLY LUCKY WITH THE LOTTERY!
AHHHH!! THANK YOU! ARE YOU A GOD OR SOMETHING?!
INCREDIBLE!! WAY TOO INCREDIBLE!!
HUH?! THESE ARE ALL... SERIAL NUM-BERS TO THE ANNIVER-SARY EVENT OF THE DVD RELEASE ?!
UH...
THIS ONE'S FROM ME.
UH, IT'S NOTHING.
Ha! Ha! Ha!
Gasp! Crazy!
WHOA, AND HE GOT SEVERAL OF THEM!

HUH?!
UH... WELL ...
I SORTA TRIED MAKING ONE...
YOU HAND-MADE IT?!
I used a kit that's for making stuff like that..
So talented!
WOW!
IT'S AKANE-CHAN'S NECK-LACE! BUT THERE'S NO WAY THEY'VE COMMER-CIALIZED THIS YET...!
HUH?!
SORRY. IT'S NOT EXACTLY WHAT YOU WANTED...
HUH?
N...NOT AT ALL!
C'mon, Nishina-san!
Waw! Waw!
WHAAA?! SO IT'S NOT "HIHIIRO-KANE" AFTER ALL!
I'LL CHERISH IT!!
THANK YOU FOR GOING THROUGH THE TROUBLE... FOR ME!

THIS IS THE MOST WONDER-FUL BIRTHDAY EVER!
THANK YOU SO MUCH!!
That magic wish list wasn't, by any chance...?
Gasp!
Uh, yeah
It was for this.
If I knew that I wouldn't have written such crazy stuff!!!
Ha ha Ha ha ha
SIGH!♡
THAT WAS FUN!!
FWUMP

KER-CHAK
HUH?
IGA-RASHI-KUN...?
DING
Can you come outside for a sec?
I'm waiting!
SHWIP
LIFE IS GOOD ...!
IGA-RASHI-KUN?!
SERI-NUMA-SAN...
YOU GOT A MINUTE?
KER-CHAK
HUH?
VROOM
COME ON.
GRAB
HUH?

WOW...!

I...IT'S SO PRETTY!!
RIGHT?
I COULDN'T GET THE PRESENT YOU WANTED, AND THIS DOESN'T MAKE UP FOR IT, BUT...
RUSTLE
HERE...
WH... WHAT'S THIS ...?
THIS IS YOUR ACTUAL PRE-SENT.
HUH? B-BUT... THIS IS...
IT'S OKAY.
I'LL PUT IT ON YOU.
JANGLE

ドキン
BADUMP
ドキン
BADUMP
ドキン
BADUMP
シャラ
JANGLE
プツ
FASTEN

SERINUMA-
SAN...

I...
IGA-RASHI-KU...?!
YOU KNOW ...
I'VE NEVER REALLY LOVED ANYONE BEFORE.
BUT ...
SERI-NUMA-SAN...
I...
LOVE YOU...
TRULY.

CAN I ...?

HUH?
WHA ...?
UM...
UH...
ER...
BOOM
AAAHHHH!!
...!

YEAH.
SORRY.
I SHOULDN'T HAVE SUDDENLY TAKEN IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL.
...
I-I-I-I'M SORRY... M-M-MY HEART'S RACING AND I CAN'T BREATHE...
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
WELL...
LET'S AT LEAST DO WHAT WE ALWAYS DO...
HA-HA-HA
YUSUKE-KUN?

KOTOHA-SENPAI...!
TO BE CONTINUED IN the MAY ISSUE

Kiss Him, not Me

BY JUNKO

*THIS STORY IS FICTIONAL, AND COMPLETELY UNRELATED TO REAL PEOPLE, "GROUPS" OR EVENTS.

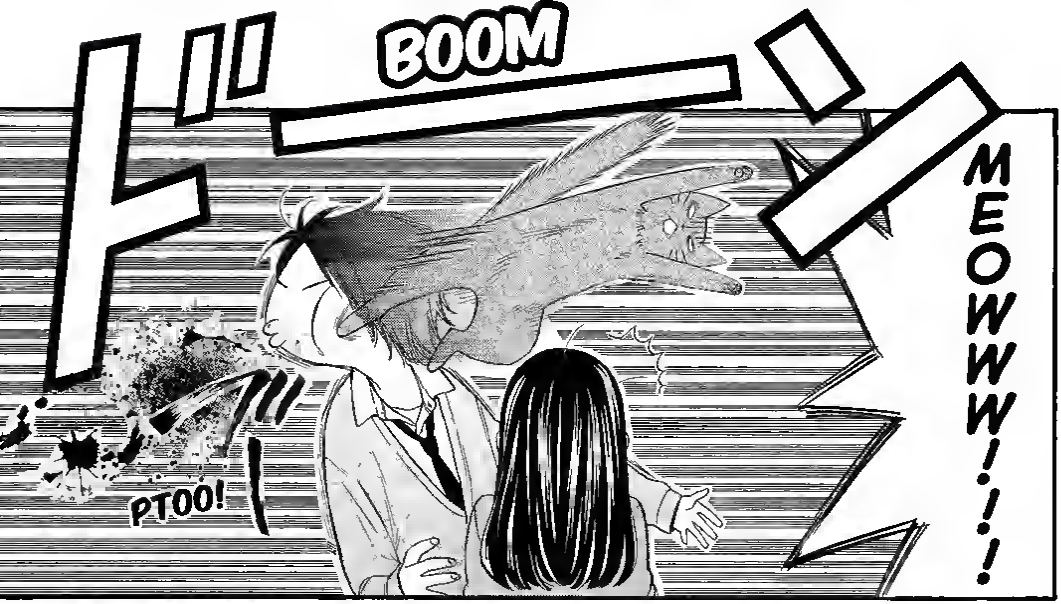
SO? WHADDYA THINK? LET'S GO HAVE SOME FUN NEXT TIME! ♡
Gimme your Line info! ♡
MUTSUMI-SENPAI FLIRTING...
OHH... SURE... ♡
N...NO WAY!!
AM I DREAMING? WAKE UP!!
Thanks! See ya!
TREMBLE
HUH?
IF IT ISN'T SHINOMIYA-KUN!
HELLO!!

UH... H-H-H-H-HEY, SENPAI!
Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha!
Y-YOU SEEM DIFFERENT TODAY... HEH, HEH!
OH YEAH? OH, COULD IT BE MY HAIRSTYLE?
I HAD A SORTA MAKEOVER. WHADDYA THINK?!
UH...ER... IT LOOKS GOOD... HA, HA!
I...I'M GETTING CHILLS FOR SOME REASON...!
SHUDDER
SHUDDER
SHUDDER
SHUDDER
WHOOSH
THIS SIDE OF ME ISN'T BAD EITHER, RIGHT?

AHHHH!!
HAS GOTTEN WEIRD!!
MUTSUMI-SENPAI!!!
WAHHHH!!
MUTSUMI-SHENPAI IS WEIRD! STRANGE!! CREEPY!!!
BLUBBER
WH... WHAT'S THE MATTER?!
HUH?!
NO! NO!
HUH? "CREEPY"?!
That's rude...

CREEPY!!
Y'ALL LOOK SUPER CUTE TODAY TOO! ☆
HOW'S IT HANG-ING?
HEY Y'ALL! ☆
AND OLD-SOUNDING TOO!
WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU, SENPAI?!
DID SOME-THING BAD HAPPEN, SENPAI?!
DON'T DESPAIR, SENPAI!! WE'LL HEAR YOU OUT!!
SORTA AWFUL...
DO YOU HAVE A FEVER OR SOME-THING?
Are you acting unusual 'cause of it?
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
FEVER?
UHHH...

TOUCH
YEAH.
MY PASSION FOR YOU IS ALWAYS BURNING!!
RIGHT? IT'S HOT, ISN'T IT...?
CAN YOU FEEL IT...?
SH...
SH...
SHEN-PAI...?!


BOOM
MEOWWW!!!
PTOO!

MEOW
MEOW
MEOW
MEOW
MEOW
MEOW
JOLT
A...A CAT?!
HUH?! THAT'S ...
MU-TSUMI-SEN-PAI'S CAT!!

H-HE'S USING THE WATER TO WRITE SOME-THING?!
Is he a gen us?
FWIP
FWIP
BUMP
SWIPE
MEOWR!!
I...IS HE TRYING TO SAY SOME-THING?
I DUNNO!

I'm Asuma Mutsumi.
BOOM
HUH ...?
HUHHH?!
S... SEN-PAI?!
RISE
THAT CAN'T BE!
TH-THEN WHO'S THE SENPAI THERE?!
C... COULD THAT PLAYBOY BE...?!

KAZUMA MUTSUMI ?!
HEH, HEH!
CORRECT! ☆
JEEZ! I'VE ALREADY BEEN FOUND OUT!
WOO!
THIS MORNING, I FELL DOWN THE STAIRS WITH ASUMA WHO WAS HOLDING THE CAT...
BEFORE I REALIZED, WE WERE LIKE THIS.
MEOW!
YEAH... QUITE THE PREDICAMENT!
Kazuma
Asuma
OKAY... THEN...
WHAT ABOUT KAZUMA'S BODY?!
PURRR...
AT HOME SLEEPING! BEING A CAT AND ALL!!
RIGHT..!
Uh-huh
Yup-p
The Cat

IN ORDER TO QUICKLY GET YOU GUYS BACK TO NORMAL ...
THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO BE IMPRESSED!
SO BODY-SWITCHING DOES HAPPEN FROM FALLING DOWN STAIRS...
LIKE IN MANGA.
S... SERIOUSLY?!
N... NO WAY!!
DRAG
DRAG
YOU'RE FALLING DOWN THE STAIRS AGAIN!!
DON'T STRUGGLE!!
IT'LL BE OKAY! WE'VE PUT DOWN A MAT AT THE BOTTOM OF THE STAIRS!
BOOM
THAT'S SO BAD, YOU ROTTEN PIECE OF TRASH!!
I WANNA DO THE STUFF THAT I'D BE HESITANT TO DO IN MY BODY!!
WHILE I'M IN THIS YOUNG BODY, I GOTTA DO XX AND XXX AND XXXX!
GLINT
I CAN'T GO BACK YET!!

SHOVE
STOP YOUR TER-RIBLE DELUS-IONS AND FALL ALREADY !!
WHA?!
So bad.
TUG
?!
CRAB
WHOA...
WATCH OUT!!
S-STUPID SERI-NUMA!! LET GO!!
EEEEK!!
THUD
THUD
THUD
THUD

A...ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, SERINUMA-SAN?!
RISE
Y... YEAH ...
HOW 'BOUT YOU, IGA-RASHI-KUN?
RISE
SERINUMAAA!!
SENPAI, ARE YOU ALL OKAY?!
UH...
GROAN ...
THUD
?!
HUH...?!
HUHHHHH ...?!
...?!
Groan-- I don't wanna--
C'mon! Switch back! Meow!
Meow!

March 3rd is *K'ae's birthday!* ♥ Nishina finds out what *K'ae* wants, and the gang decides to get those things for her birthday. *Igarashi* is unable to get the impossible thing *K'ae* wants, so he calls her out and takes her to a spot with a beautiful *night view*, and gives her a *necklace*. ♥ As things are getting steamy, a *beautiful girl* shows up and calls out, "*Yusuke-kun!*"
KISS HIM, NOT ME!
BY JUNKO
#35 THE GIRL THAT I ACTUALLY LIKE

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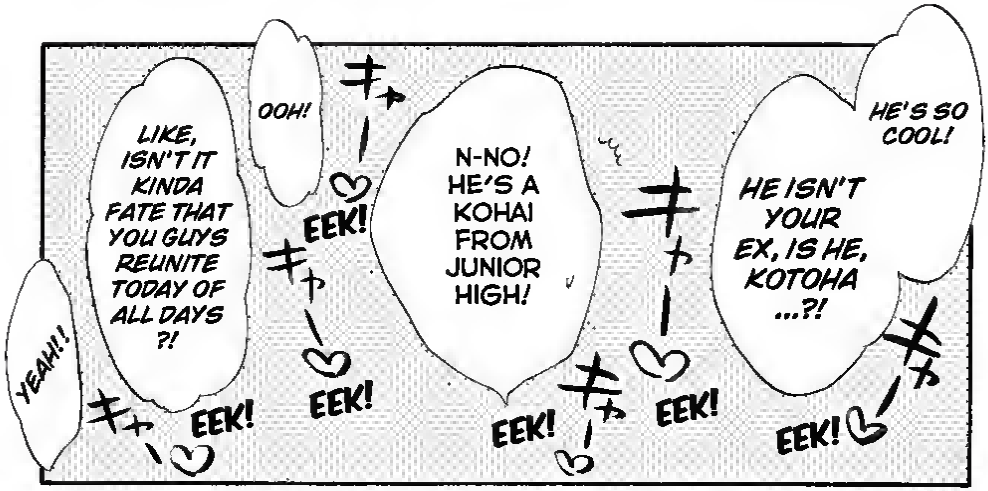
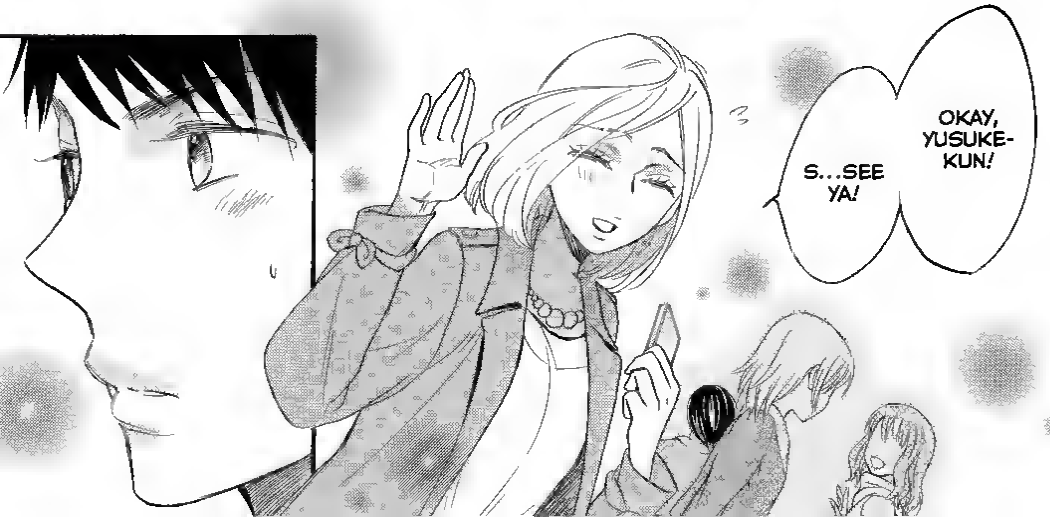
I-I'M ON MY WAY HOME FROM A PARTY MY FRIENDS THREW ME...
UM, WELL ...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
...!
A PARTY ...?
OH, RIGHT!
TODAY'S YOUR BIRTH-DAY...
?
UH, YEAH.
THAT'S RIGHT...
SO...
March 3rd...
I SEE YOU STILL REMEMBER...

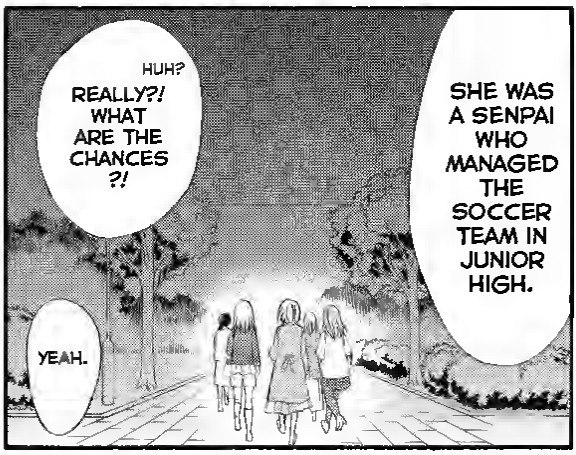
I'M SORRY, YUSUKE-KUN'S GIRL-FRIEND...
HUH?
SORRY, IT LOOKS LIKE I INTER-RUPTED YOU TWO.
TAKE CARE, THEN.
HUHHH?!
UH...
あFLAIL
はFLAIL
FLAIL
FLAIL
H-HE'S JUST A CLASS-MATE!!
NOTH-ING MORE!!
NO! NO! NO! NO! NO WAY!
THAT'S RIDICU-LOUS!
FLAIL
SO DOES THAT MEAN YOU'RE SINGLE ?
OOH!
YOU TWO ARE JUST CLASS-MATES?
SHE SURE MADE THAT LOUD AND CLEAR ...
GLOOM
HUH?
I...IS THAT SO?
I SEE


YEAH!!
LIKE, ISN'T IT KINDA FATE THAT YOU GUYS REUNITE TODAY OF ALL DAYS ?!
OOH!
EEK!
EEK!
EEK!
N-NO! HE'S A KOHAI FROM JUNIOR HIGH!
EEK!
EEK!
HE ISN'T YOUR EX, IS HE, KOTOHA ...?!
HE'S SO COOL!
EEK!

GIRLS, LOOK AT THE TIME!
WE'RE GONNA MISS THE DIRECT TRAIN
AH!
LET'S HURRY!

YOU'RE COOL WITH THAT, RIGHT, KOHAI-KUN?!
HEY!
C'MON! C'MON!
YOU SHOULD TOTALLY EX-CHANGE LINE INFO!
S... SURE...
OKAY


OKAY, YUSUKE-KUN!
S...SEE YA!


SHE WAS A SENPAI WHO MANAGED THE SOCCER TEAM IN JUNIOR HIGH.
HUH? REALLY?! WHAT ARE THE CHANCES ?!
YEAH.

WHO WAS THAT...?
OH! SORRY 'BOUT THAT!
GASP!

WHY?
OH!
SHE'S VERY PRETTY, HUH?!

YOU CURI-OUS?
HUH?
...

SHALL WE GET GOING SOON?
Sorry for making you come out so far—
Uh...
OKAY.

YOU RAN INTO KOTOHA-SENPAI?!
HUH?
YEAH.
NO WAY!! IS IT THE FIRST TIME SINCE WE GRADUATED JUNIOR HIGH?
YEAH.
SHE HASN'T CHANGED SINCE THEN.
MM.
WELL ...
WHOA!
IS SHE STILL AS CUTE AS ALWAYS ?!
TAK TAK TAK

I SEE!
SHE SURE WAS POPULAR WITH THE GUYS, WASN'T SHE?
HUH? WHAT IS IT?!
YOU'RE NOT INTO HER, ARE YOU?!
PING!
...
ER...
HUH?
CLATTER
I GOTTA USE THE RESTROOM.
UH, SURE.
MURMUR
MURMUR
HUHHH...?

MURMUR
MURMUR
...KUN
YUSUKE-KUN!
OH JEEZ, YOU HURT YOURSELF AGAIN!!
COME HERE, SO I CAN TAKE A LOOK!
SORRY.
DOES IT HURT? ARE YOU OKAY?
GO TO THE HOSPITAL AFTER AND GET YOURSELF LOOKED AT, OKAY?!
SMILE
'CAUSE WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU AS OUR UPCOMING STAR PLAYER!

Ah!
COMING!
OKAY, MAKE SURE YOU ICE IT!
HEYYY!
KOTOHA, OVER HERE!!

SIGH!
KOTOHA-SENPAI SURE IS NICE! ♥
I'D LIKE TO GO OUT WITH HER! ♥
So cute! ♥
YOU IDIOT!
IF THE CAPTAIN HEARS YOU, HE'LL KILL YOU!
THE CAPTAIN'S SO LUCKY! I WANT A GIRLFRIEND LIKE HER!
BOUNCE
BOUNCE

YOU'RE A PISCES?
YEAH, I WAS BORN ON MARCH 3RD.
RATTLE RATTLE
Good morning!
Morning!
HEH, HEH!
MY SIGN, PISCES, HAD THE BEST HOROS-COPE THIS MORN-ING!
YOU SEEM HAPPY, SENPAI!
RATTLE
I'M A TAURUS, BORN IN MAY.
OH, REALLY ?!
HOW 'BOUT YOU, YUSUKE-KUN? WHAT SIGN ARE YOU?
YEAH.
OHHH.
THE SAME DAY AS GIRLS' DAY.
UH...
HUH?
ER...
THAT'S AWE...
SOME ...
PISCES AND TAURUS ARE REALLY COMPA-TIBLE!!

March 3rd...
HA HA...
HA HA HA...
IT'S NO WONDER I THINK YOU'RE EASY TO TALK TO!
I'M SORRY.
I KNOW THIS PUTS YOU IN AN AWKWARD POSITION...
BUT WON'T YOU CHOOSE ME IN-STEAD?

I'M SORRY...
I'M REALLY HAPPY... BUT...
I...ALREADY HAVE A BOYFRIEND, SO...
MAYBE ...
IF YOU HAD MET ME FIRST, WE...
DON'T SAY THAT...
DON'T ...
YOU CAN'T SAY THAT...

And like that...
she graduated...
and since then...
I'd always thought that I'd never see her again...
VRRR

After school
RIGHT NOW, BAZELA KARAOKE ...
HAS A KATCHU LOVE TIE-IN ROOM!!
EVEN THE MENU IS KATCHU LOVE THEMED!
I'M GOING WITH AH-CHAN, BUT WOULD YOU GUYS ALL LIKE TO COME TOO?
And you can order a lot too — (really!)
HUH! OKAY, WE'LL GO TOO THEN!!
HA! HA! HA!
OH, SORRY, BUT...
I HAVE OTHER PLANS...
SEE YOU TOMOR-ROW!
SOME-THING...
RATTLE
SLAM
SORRY, SERINUMA, BUT SOME-THING'S COME UP!!
SAME HERE!!
AND HERE!!
FLASH
SUSPICIOUS IS UP!!
HUHHH?!
HUHHH?!

CAFE
SORRY FOR MAKING YOU COME ALL THE WAY HERE.
NOT AT ALL.
THINGS WERE QUITE RUSHED WHEN WE PARTED WAYS, SO I WANTED TO TALK WITH YOU SOME MORE...
About how you've been..
YOU'VE BEEN WELL?
YUP.
I'M GOING TO THE GIRLS' SCHOOL IN THE NEXT TOWN.
IS THAT RIGHT?
IT'S PRETTY LAID-BACK, SINCE IT'S ALL GIRLS!
Ha ha!
HAVE YOU BEEN WELL TOO, SEN-PAI?
YEAH.

UM...
HOW ARE THINGS WITH THE CAPTAIN ...?
GULP
MM...
WE WENT TO DIFFERENT SCHOOLS, AND...
WE KEPT IT GOING FOR A WHILE, BUT...
WE SPLIT UP AFTER ABOUT A YEAR.
H...
HOW 'BOUT YOU, YUSUKE-KUN?
YOU MUST BE POPULAR AS ALWAYS.
Ha ha ha!
NO GIRL-FRIEND ?
IS THERE REALLY NOTHING GOING ON?
UM...
LIKE, WITH THAT CUTE GIRL YESTERDAY ...
I WISH I COULD SAY SHE WAS, BUT UNFOR-TUNATELY NOT...
BUT...
I LIKE HER.
SO YOU DO!
I SEE!
SHE IS VERY CUTE!

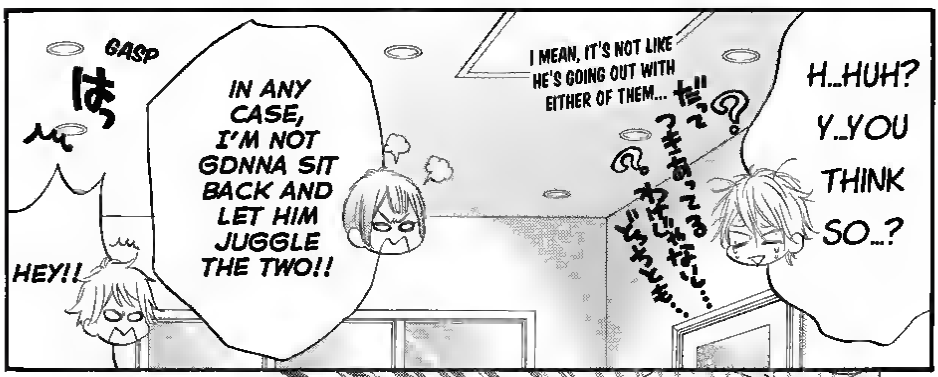
SHE'S LUCKY TO HAVE A CHANCE WITH YOU.
Ha ha!
PLEASE.
CLINK
HEH HEH! NO, REALLY!
THE TRUTH IS, SHE STILL HASN'T GIVEN HER ANSWER.
THERE ARE FOUR OTHERS WHO'VE CONFESSED THEIR FEELINGS TO HER.
HUH...? CRAZY!
I'M WAITING ...
WAITING FOR HER TO COME TO TERMS WITH HER FEELINGS ...
WHAT ...?
SHE'S MAKING EVERY-ONE WAIT?
SHE CAN'T HELP IT. SHE'S NOT USED TO THIS SORTA THING...
HUH?
THAT DOESN'T MATTER!
CLATTER
IF IT WERE ME...

IF IT WERE ME...
I'D PICK YOU IN A HEARTBEAT, YUSUKE-KUN!!
GASP
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
I...
I...
CLATTER
SORRY !!

...
YUSUKE-KUN?!
SORRY... SEE YOU AROUND!
I GOTTA GO HOME NOW... I HAVE THINGS TO DO...
THAT WAS CLOSE.
IF I LISTENED TO ANY MORE OF WHAT SHE HAD TO SAY...
I...?
MURMUR
MURMUR

WHAT WAS THAT?
WHA--
STARE
WHAT THE HECK ?!
ISN'T THAT IGARASHI-SENPAI AND NANASHIMA-SENPAI'S SENPAI?!
WHISPER
WHISPER
IT SO LOOKS LIKE THEY HAVE A HISTORY !!
WHISPER
What's up with those kids?
ドーン
BOOM
IF THEY END UP TOGETHER, THAT MAKES ONE LESS PERSON IN OUR WAY, RIGHT?!
I WAS THINKING...
IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THINGS ARE TOTALLY OVER BETWEEN THEM...
THUD すとん
THOSE TWO...
WHO WOULD'VE THOUGHT SOMETHING LIKE THAT WAS GOING ON BETWEEN THEM...?
SSSIP
I left the team midway and he never said anything either

HUH?
A BRILLIANT IDEA!!
UH, I DUNNO...
THUD
POINT
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?! THIS IS TWO-TIMING, Y'KNOW!!
HUH? "TWO-TIMING"?!
That's a little extreme.
WELL, IT IS! IT'S HALF-HEARTED! IT'S KINDA LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE, IF SERINUMA-SENPAI AND THAT GIRL WERE DROWNING, WHO WOULD HE SAVE?!


H...HUH? Y...YOU THINK SO...?
I MEAN, IT'S NOT LIKE HE'S GOING OUT WITH EITHER OF THEM...
IN ANY CASE, I'M NOT GONNA SIT BACK AND LET HIM JUGGLE THE TWO!!
GASP
HEY!!

I KNOW!!
WHICH ONE WOULD HE SAVE IF BOTH WERE DROWNING, YOU ASK?!
LET'S HAVE HIM ACTUALLY MAKE A CHOICE!!
SOUNDS GREAT!!
I DON'T THINK IGARASHI-KUN'S GONNA CHANGE HIS MIND, THOUGH...
Are you guys for real?!
D... DON'T BE STUPID!!
Yum

LONG TIME NO SEE, NANASHIMA-KUN...
JOLT
UH...
H...HEY!! IT HAS BEEN AWHILE, HUH?!
Ha ha ha! What are the chances?! Ha ha ha!
WH-WH-WHEN DID YOU NOTICE WE WERE HERE?
FROM WHEN YOU CAME IN...
FROM THE START?!
HEY...
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN INCLUDE ME...
IN WHAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT JUST NOW ...?
HUH?

And on the weekend...
WOW! IT'S A BOAT!!
LET'S RIDE ONE!!
THE FLOWERS HAVEN'T BLOOMED YET... BUT IT'S STILL CHARMING IN ITS OWN WAY.
WOW, THE WEATHER SURE IS NICE!
UH...
HELLO!
IF IT ISN'T KOTOHA-SENPAI!!
HUH?! HEY!!
BOOM
Oh, come on come on!
And so suddenly too...
ISN'T IT A LITTLE EARLY FOR CHERRY-BLOSSOM VIEWING?
OHHH! REALLY ?!!
I WAS GETTING SOME JUICE FOR THE BOAT RIDE WE'RE GONNA GO ON.
UH, I'M HERE WITH MY FRIENDS ...
WHAT A COIN-CIDENCE !!

WOW, SHINO-MIYA-KUN! SUCH A GENTLE-MAN!
STARE
OH, BE CARE-FUL!
I'LL HELP YOU CARRY THOSE BOTTLES !!
ANYWAY, MY FRIENDS ARE WAITING FOR ME, SO...
FWIP
SENPAIII, WANNA GO TO THE BATHROOM WITH ME?
UH, YEAH!
LET'S GO!
OKAY, HAVE FUN, GIRLS! ♡
STARE
HEY, NANA ...
AHHH!
WH- WHAT? WHAT? WHAT'D I DO?
GRIP
THAT GIRL'S FALLEN INTO THE POND!
OVER THERE!
SERI-NUMA-SENPAI'S FALLEN INTO THE POND!
OVER THERE!
HELP, IGA-RASHI-SENPAI!!

WHAT THE HECK?! VIOLENCE IS NOT COOL!!
Eek! So scary!
HUH?!
SOMETHING SMELLS FISHY!! WHAT ARE YOU GUYS UP TO? SO? YOU GUYS TRYING TO MAKE A FOOL OUT OF ME?
HUH?

ACK!
BONK
BONK
HEY!!
URK!

MAKE A CHOICE BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM!!
POINT
BADUMP
WHA ...?!
YOU'RE BEING WISHY-WASHY, GOING BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN A GIRL YOU KNEW LONG AGO AND SERINUMA-SENPAI, AND THAT'S UN-ACCEPTABLE !!
TH...
THAT'S NONE OF YOUR—
WHAT ?!
SHRIEK

SPLASH
SPLASH
Help!
Blub!
SPLASH
A BOAT WITH A MOM AND HER KIDS CAPSIZED !!!

GASP
OH NO!!
SOME-ONE FELL INTO THE POND.
WHAT'S WITH THE CROWD OVER THERE?
HE'S NOT COMING ...
HE MUST'VE CHOSEN HER...

HUH ...?!
NO... REALLY ?!
APPARENTLY, TWO GUYS JUMPED IN AND SAVED THEM.
Are you serious?
LET'S GO!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ?!
SOB
WAAAAHHH
TH... TH...
THANK... YOU...
COUGH
COUGH
MURMUR
MURMUR
?!
SHWIP
HEY! WHAT ABOUT YUSUKE-KUN?!
HUH ?
HE'S NOT HERE ?
HUH?

AH!!
OVER THERE!
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
NO...
BOOM!!

YANK
SERINUMAAA!!
No way!
SPLASH
DAMN!
YOU'RE KIDDING! I CAN'T BREAK FREE!
TUG
TUG
SHWIP
BLUB
I CAN'T... BREATHE...

HUH...?
?!
!!
HE'S NOT BREATH-ING...!!
SE...?!
FAINT
SPLOOSH-
BREATHE
SPLASH

YOU...ARE REALLY SOMETHING.
I GAVE HIM TOO MUCH OXYGEN!
ULP!!
GASP!
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH

I LIKE SERINUMA-SAN.
MURMUR
YEAH ...
SURE ENOUGH ...
MURMUR
I ADMIRE EVERYTHING ABOUT HER.
Senpai! Don't die on me!
WHEEZE WHEEZE
HER STRENGTH ...
HER HONESTY ...
YOU SAW, RIGHT?
YOU SAW THAT SIDE OF HER!
HA HA... WELL...
WHEN YOU LIKE SOMEONE, NONE OF THAT MATTERS, RIGHT?
EVEN THOUGH YOU DON'T KNOW IF SHE'LL RECIP-ROCATE?

I MEAN, BACK THEN...
I KNEW YOU DIDN'T RECIP-ROCATE MY FEELINGS ...
BUT I STILL LIKED YOU.

YOU'VE ...
ALREADY FOUND THE ONE FOR YOU.
MAYBE IF THINGS HAPPENED FOR US EARLIER...
NO...

TREMBLE TREMBLE
BRRR! SO COLD!
I GOTTA HURRY UP AND CHANGE OUT OF THESE CLOTHES...
AH-CHOO !!
ARE YOU ...
SERI-NUMA-SAN?
STAND
YES?
OH...
I GET WHY ...
YUSUKE-KUN IS INTO YOU.
BUT...
CLENCH...
LET ME JUST SAY ONE THING.

TO BE CONTINUED IN the JUNE ISSUE

KISS HIM, NOT ME!

BY JUNKO

Kotoha-senpai tells *Kae* that it's cruel to leave everyone hanging without responding to their confessions. Then, *Kae* makes an *unexpected move?!*

#36 DECISION TIME

WHEN SOMEONE PUTS THEIR HEART OUT THERE... DON'T JUST LEAVE THEM HANGING FOR AN ANSWER!
THAT'S ...
REALLY CRUEL.

HUH ...?
KO-TOHA-SENPAI ...?!
YOU'RE ONLY WASTING EVERY-ONE'S TIME.
IF YOU KEEP THIS UP...
BADUMP
I JUST TRIED NOT TO THINK ABOUT IT...
IT'S NOT LIKE I FOR-GOT...
I'M... LEAVING EVERYONE HANGING FOR AN ANSWER ...
TH ...
THAT'S TRUE...

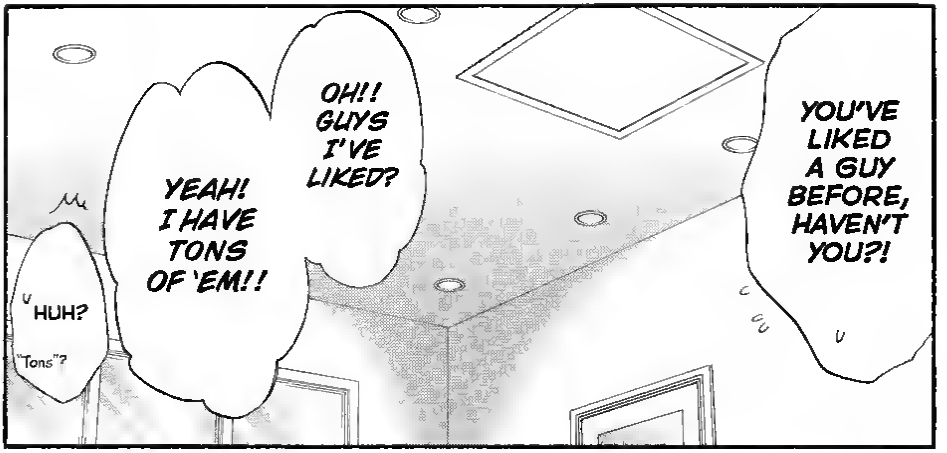
'CAUSE I ENJOYED SPENDING TIME WITH EVERYONE TOGETHER ...
I DID, BUT...
BADUMP
BADUMP
WE DID SAY THAT WE WOULD WAIT...
BUT TO BE HONEST, I DID WONDER FOR HOW LONG...
BUT...
WHAT'S UP WITH THAT GIRL?!
TURN
ANY-WAY...
HURRY UP AND PICK SOMEONE ...!

*THIS STORY IS FICTIONAL, AND COMPLETELY UNRELATED TO REAL PEOPLE, "GROUPS" OR EVENTS.

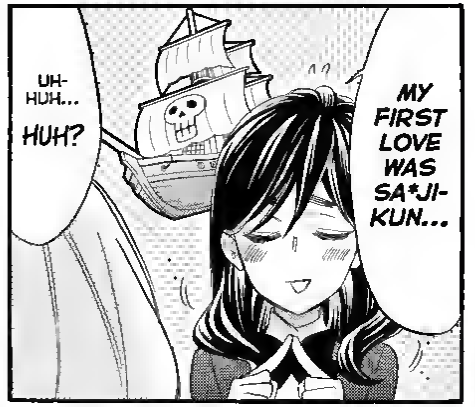
GRAB
JOLT
WH-WHAT?!
THAT...
THAT'S EASY FOR YOU TO SAY...
I-I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING THAT WASN'T TRUE!
WRING
WRING
WRING
WAHHH !!!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD DO!!
TELL MEEE !!!
HUH?

I DIDN'T MEAN TO KEEP YOU WAITING!!
I'M SORRY!!
The next day
CAFE
OPEN
CLATTER
Welcome
...
OH, I'LL HAVE AN ORANGE JUICE, PLEASE.
SENPAI, WHAT ARE YOU DRINKING? COFFEE?
I MISSED MY TRAIN.
Sorry!
Such an adult!
YOU SEEM TO HAVE A LOT OF EXPERIENCE, SO I'LL FEEL MORE CONFIDENT WITH YOUR ADVICE!!
THANKS FOR AGREEING TO MEET WITH ME TODAY!!
UH!!
WHY AM I HAVING COFFEE WITH THIS GIRL...!?
URK.
TWINKLE
TWINKLE

HOW SHOULD I MAKE MY DECISION ?!
WELL, LET'S GET RIGHT DOWN TO IT...
I wouldn't say I have "a lot of experience
BLOW
SHE WAS SO DESPERATE I COULDN'T TURN HER DOWN...
"HEART BEAT FASTER" ?
LIKE EXERCISE?
FOR EXAMPLE, WHICH ONE OF THEM MAKES YOUR... Y'KNOW... HEART BEAT FASTER?
IT'S NOT REALLY ABOUT "HOW" ...
"FISH" ?
Are you seriously that dense?!
I MEAN, THERE'S A LOT OF FISH OUT HERE! YOU'VE BEEN IN LOVE, RIGHT?!


YOU'VE LIKED A GUY BEFORE, HAVEN'T YOU?!
OH!! GUYS I'VE LIKED?
YEAH! I HAVE TONS OF 'EM!!
HUH?
"Tons"?

HUH...?
AND AFTER THAT WAS SA**KE-KUN! ♥


UH-HUH... HUH?
MY FIRST LOVE WAS SA*JI-KUN...

AREN'T THOSE ALL ANIME CHARAC-TERS?!
H-H-HOLD ON!!
My hubbies ♥
AND NOW, AKANE-CHAN! ♥
BESIDES THEM... GA**RU, AND AKA**-SAMA, AND LANCE COR-PORAL, AND MIYUKI-SENPAI, AND SHION...

I'VE LIVED MY LIFE FANTASIZING ABOUT THESE GUYS GIVING AND GETTING *BLEEP* AND *BLEEP* FROM MALE CHARACTERS!!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
BOOM
DON'T RESPOND SO HAPPILY!!
YUP!!
RAISE
THE TRUTH IS... I'M AN OTAKU !!
YEAH, I FIGURED!!
OTAKU AND PROUD!
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT. I'M TALKING ABOUT ACTUAL GUYS...!!
MY OTAKU FRIENDS HAVE BOYFRIENDS AND ALL, BUT...
TO BE HONEST, I NEVER HAD MUCH LUCK WITH STUFF LIKE THAT...
IT NEVER EVEN INTERESTED ME, AND I ENJOYED MY LIFE AS IT IS, SO... I HAVEN'T EVER...

LET'S SEE...
SWIPE
SWIPE
RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE ...
IRK
イラッ
NO LUCK?
THERE'S NO WAY GUYS WOULD LEAVE A GIRL LIKE YOU ALONE!

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BOOM
ん,
THIS IS WHAT I LOOKED LIKE NOT TOO LONG AGO...
I never got past the friend-zone with anyone.

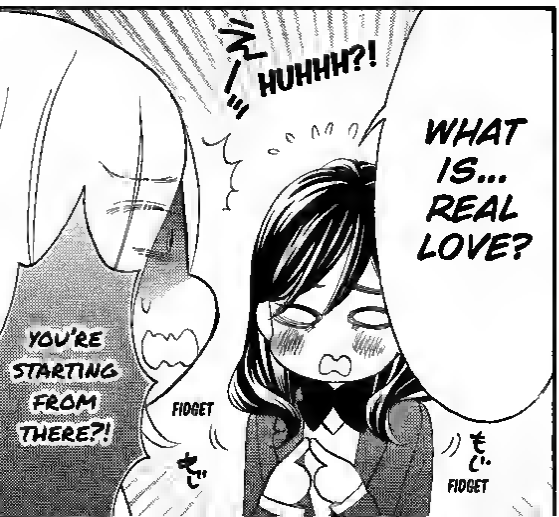
THERE MIGHT'VE BEEN ONE BOY! WHEN I WAS IN PRE-SCHOOL ...
OH!!
GASP!
Y...YU-SUKE-KUN LIKES THIS GIRL THAT MUCH ...?!
THAT'S ENOUGH.
SHE HAS ME BEAT!

D..DOES YUSUKE-KUN KNOW ABOUT THIS..?
HUH? YEAH.
Heh, heh.
I mean is that really you?!
OF COURSE.
We're in the same class, after all

SHOCK
HUHHH?!

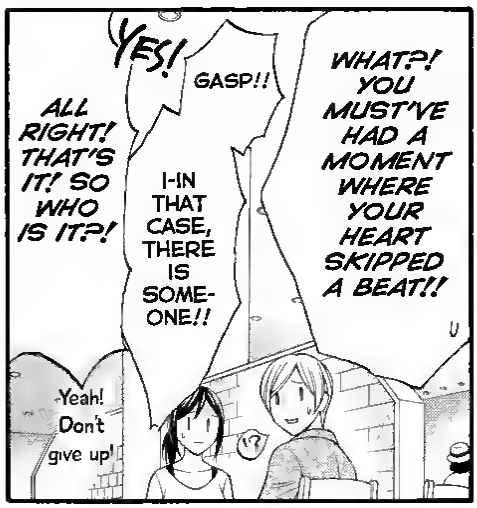
...
BUT ...
SHOCK
SHOCK
SHOCK

GLOOM
Come to think of it I'm always in the cheering section ..
THAT MAY BE TRUE...


HUHHH?!
WHAT IS... REAL LOVE?
YOU'RE STARTING FROM THERE?!
FIDGET
FIDGET

IN ANY CASE ...
POINT
YOU'VE NEVER FALLEN IN REAL LOVE BEFORE !!

W... WELL...
YOU CAN'T HELP THINKING ABOUT THE PERSON CONSTANTLY ...
YOU REALIZE YOUR EYES ALWAYS GO TO THAT PERSON ...
YOU GET EXTREMELY HAPPY OR SAD...
...


WHAT?! YOU MUST'VE HAD A MOMENT WHERE YOUR HEART SKIPPED A BEAT!!
GASP!!
YES!
I-IN THAT CASE, THERE IS SOME-ONE!!
ALL RIGHT! THAT'S IT! SO WHO IS IT?!
Yeah! Don't give up!

BY THOSE STANDARDS, I FEEL REAL LOVE FOR NONE OF THEM.
IRK
HUH?!

SNAP
ALL OF THEM. ♥
BLUSH
BLUSH
EITHER WAY...
IF YOU DON'T PLAN ON MAKING A DECISION, DON'T LEAD THEM ON...!
IF YOU STILL HAVE NO IDEA AFTER THINKING ABOUT IT, YOU SHOULD TURN THEM ALL DOWN.
TH...
THAT'S ENOUGH ...
LATER!
TMP
UH...
TMP

"YOU SHOULD TURN THEM ALL DOWN" ...
IS...
WHAT SHE TOLD ME... WHAT DO YOU THINK?
HUHHH?
WHAT A WASTE!!
IF YOU'RE GONNA TURN THEM ALL DOWN, YOU SHOULD AT LEAST TRY AND DATE ONE OF THEM!!
HUHHH?
I MEAN, YOU COULD END UP LIKING THAT PERSON WHILE YOU'RE DATING...
THAT'S HOW IT WAS FOR MY BOY-FRIEND AND ME.
We're totally in love with each other now
R-REALLY?!
Really
BUT... IT'S TRUE THAT IF I DON'T MAKE A MOVE, NOTHING WILL CHANGE ...
OTHER-WISE I'LL JUST WASTE TIME BY MAKING EVERYONE WAIT...
TWIDDLE
TWIDDLE

YOU CAN DRAW AN AMIDAKUJI, OR PLAY ROCK-PAPER-SCISSORS.
I'll draw you an Amida-kuji
WELL, IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW YOU MAKE YOUR PICK.
NO WAY!
OHH.
YEAH.
UPSY-DAISY.
I MEAN, I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO BEAR IT EITHER IF YOU TOLD ME THAT I COULDN'T READ A MANGA SITTING RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME THAT I'D BEEN WAITING ON...!!
WELL, IF EVERYONE'S ON THE SAME LEVEL, YOU HAVE NO CHOICE.
AWW...
...I THINK.
I CAN'T DECIDE SO FLIP-PANTLY!!
GASP!! "A GAME" ?!
WHAT IF YOU HAVE THEM DUKE IT OUT IN A GAME?
IT DOESN'T MATTER!
GLOOM
Hey sorry, there's this special dungeon that's only accessible now.
BEEP

IN "MIRAGE SAGA", THE MAIN CHARACTERS TERRA AND SHION WERE... ENEMIES AT FIRST...!!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
COME TO THINK OF IT...
RUMBLE
BUT...
DIEEEE!!!
RAWWRRR!!!
THE TWO FOUGHT WITH ALL THEIR MIGHT... AND IN THE END, THEY DUKED IT OUT...

はーっ
PANT
はーっ
PANT
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PANT

PROPS TO YOU, PUNK.
YOU MADE ME GO ALL OUT...

HA! HA!
HEH... YOU PUT UP A GOOD FIGHT ...

HMPH ...
BUMP
HA! HA! HA!
HA! HA! HA! HA!

BOOM
I get teary just thinking about it!!
FRIENDSHIP, ACCORDING TO CANON.
Well, that's still love, so I know what you mean!
AND THEN, LOVE WAS BORN!!!
U...UH... KAE-CHAN...?
You look a lot stranger than usual.
"MIRAGE SAGA" TAUGHT ME THAT...!!
YES... AFTER A FIERCE FIGHT FOR ONE'S LIFE, A BOND IS BORN!!

I WILL DATE THE PERSON WHO BEATS ME AT THIS GAME!!
AND SO...
THE KING OF
殺免愛無
COLISEUM
BOOM!!!
C...COME AGAIN?!

THE KING OF
殺死愛無
COLISEUM
THE KING OF KOROSHI-AMU!
IT'S AN ONLINE MULTIPLAYER FREE-FOR-ALL MELEE GAME FOR YOUR PHONE!
YOU HAVE TO KILL OFF ALL THE OTHER PLAYERS ON STAGE, AND THE LAST MAN STANDING IS THE KING!! ONLY ONE PLAYER IS THE WINNER!!
I'VE NEVER PLAYED THIS GAME EITHER, SO IT'S AN EVEN PLAYING FIELD!!
THE FIGHT WILL BE NEXT WEEK!! IN THE MEANTIME, EVERYONE WORK HARD TRAINING YOUR CHARAC-TERS!!
THERE IS NO LEVEL LIMIT!! GET AS STRONG AS YOU YOU'D LIKE!!

THAT'S ALL!!
OKAY, I SHALL SEE YOU ALL HERE IN ONE WEEK!!
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
SLAM
SHOCK
BUT WHO COULD'VE PREDICTED THIS?!
W-WE KNEW WHAT SHE'S LIKE...
ANYWAY ...
I I DUNNO
That's "Igarashi-senpai"
WHAT DID YOUR SENPAI SAY TO HER, IGARASHI ?!
THAT GIRL'S BEHIND THIS, ISN'T SHE?!
Gasp!
YOU THINK SHE GOT INFLUENCED BY SOMETHING WEIRD?

I CAN GO OUT WITH SERINUMA IF I BEAT HER...
Hm, hm...
Gameplay video
IN THAT CASE...
Why, this...
Darn...
LET'S DO THIS!!
Heh, heh, heh!
Heh, heh, heh!
BOOM
And so...
one week later...

ALL RIGHT ...
GAME ON!!
Battle start!
WHOOSH
SHINO
Magic Swordsman Lv 52
SHWOOP
WHOOSH
THE WILDERNESS STAGE, HUH ...
ANYWAY, I GOTTA HURRY UP AND FIND SERINUMA-SENPAI...
Not a fan of this stage...

CHARACTERS ARE PLACED ON THE STAGE AT RANDOM, SO I MIGHT RUN INTO SOMEONE ELSE BEFORE I FIND SENPAI.
IN THAT CASE ...
I'LL BRUTALLY DEFEAT WHOEVER GETS IN MY WAY!!
GLINT
GASP
I FOUND YOU, SHINO-MIYA-KUN!!
?!
THAT VOICE ...
NISHINA ?!
WHA...?!
SHINE
SHINE
SHINE
WHAT'S WITH THE CRAZY EQUIPMENT?! IT DOESN'T MATCH YOUR LEVEL!!
Not to mention it's super tacky!
NISHY
Dragoon Lv.8
TH... THAT'S UNFAIR!!
NO ONE SAID ANYTHING ABOUT LIMITS ON BUYING ITEMS ONLINE!!
PWA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!
Stop with the scripted lines!
TAKE THIS !!
SAY WHAT YOU WANT !!
SUPER SPECIAL RARE HEAVENLY SPEAR!!
SHWING

...
And my hand's stuck...
IT'S SO HEAVY I CAN'T USE IT...
I...
Heavenly Spear
Weight: Very Heavy
Req. Lv: 50
SLAM
JOLT
?!
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
DIE, FIEND!!
Y-YOU CAN'T DO THIS!!
AHHHH!!
STAB
GLOM
OKAY! AT THIS RATE...
Ultra-Rare Monster
Wild Slime Lv.111
HYUK!
HYUK!
YAYYY!! I WON!!
Nishina: Game Over
YOU DIED

Shino-miya: Game Over
NOOO!!
YOU DIED
LET GO... AHHH!! MY CLOTHES ARE MELT-ING?!
SMOOSH
NOOOO!!
SQUISH
WAIT...!!
I FORGOT! THERE ARE MONSTERS AROUND HERE TOO!
SQUISH
Mean-while...
WHOOSH
NOW THAT WE'VE MET...
I'M GONNA ELIMINATE YOU HERE FIRST!
HMPH...
THAT'S WHAT I WAS GONNA SAY TO YOU!
IGARASHI
Knight Lv.30
NANA
Assassin Lv.30

BANG
NICK
DON'T HOLD THIS AGAINST ME!
WHOOSH
GASP
I SENSE DANGER!
SHWOOM
JUMP
CLANG

BOTH OF YOU...
COME AT ME!!
RUMBLE
PANT
HA HA HA
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
KAE
Berserker Lv.99
SH...SHE...
REALLY WANTS TO KILL US!!
SHOCK
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN YOUR GOAL?!

BAM
SH... SHE'S...
SO STRONG... ♥
I CUT DOWN ANOTHER WORTH-LESS FOOL...
THUD
YOU DIED
YOU DIED
THAT JUST LEAVES ...
FWISH

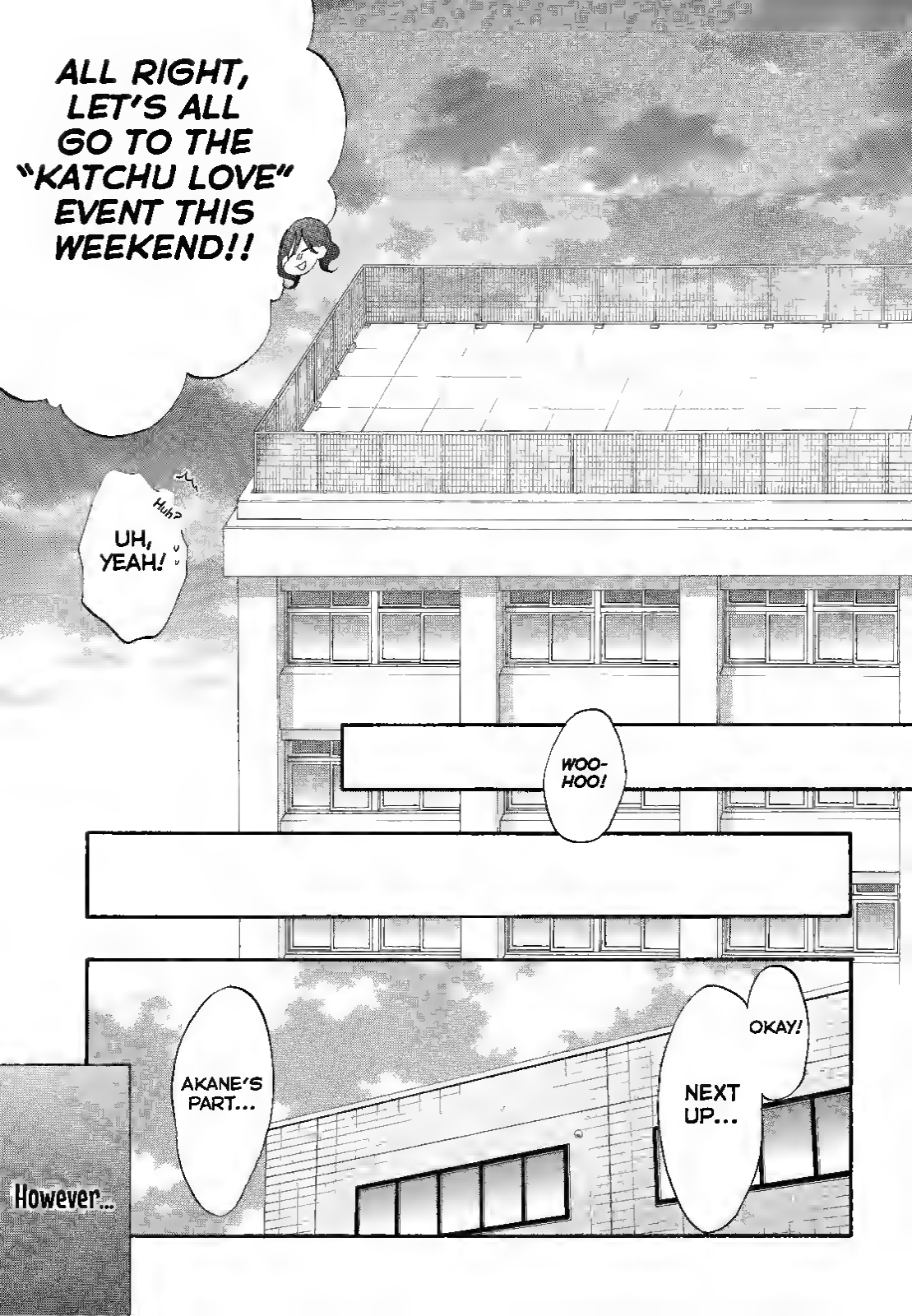
!!
BAM
I'M SORRY... SERI-NUMA-SAN.
LET'S ...
ASUMA
Sorcerer Lv.99
BRING THIS TO AN END...

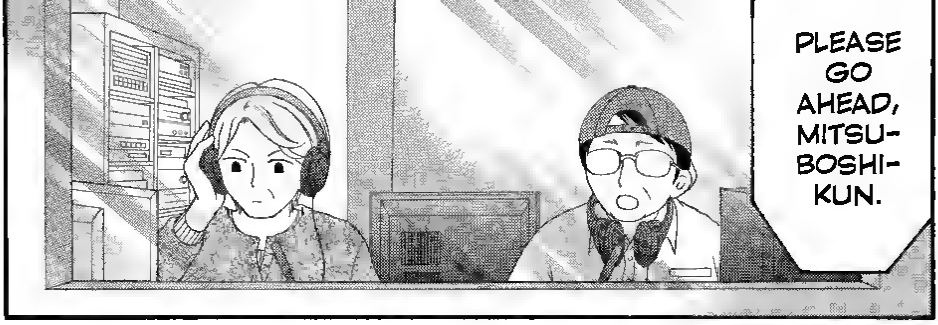
SEN...
PA—...
Winner
ASUMA
DA-DA DUM!
GULP
ゴク…
SETTLED
…
…
SO IT'S
…
ア…
WHOOSH

SERI-NUMA-SAN...
KNEEL
BADUMP
...!
S...
SEN-PAI...
CLENCH
I HOPE ...
WE WILL BE A GOOD MATCH ...!
TOUCH
SERI-NUMA-SAN,
DON'T FORCE YOUR-SELF...
I ONLY WANTED TO WIN...
SO I COULD STOP YOU.

IT'S OKAY. WE'VE DECIDED TO WAIT UNTIL YOU'RE READY TO MAKE A DECI-SION.
BESIDES, WE'RE HAVING A LOT OF FUN.
SPENDING TIME WITH YOU LIKE THIS IS NOT A WASTE OF TIME FOR US.

SENPAI...
SQUEEZE
TH-THANK GOD!!
IF IT WERE ANYONE ELSE, THEY WOULD'VE FOR SURE SNATCHED THE CHANCE TO DATE HER!!
THANK GOD IT WAS SENPAI WHO WON!!
THANK GOD SENPAI HAS A GOOD HEART!!
SH...
SHENPAI!!!!
YOU ARE SO KIND!
I am not worthy!
HOLD ME!!


ALL RIGHT, LET'S ALL GO TO THE "KATCHU LOVE" EVENT THIS WEEKEND!!
Huh?
UH, YEAH!
WOO-HOO!
OKAY!
NEXT UP...
AKANE'S PART...
However...


PLEASE GO AHEAD, MITSU-BOSHI-KUN.

ALL RIGHT!
THANK YOU!!
The time for change was close at hand.
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